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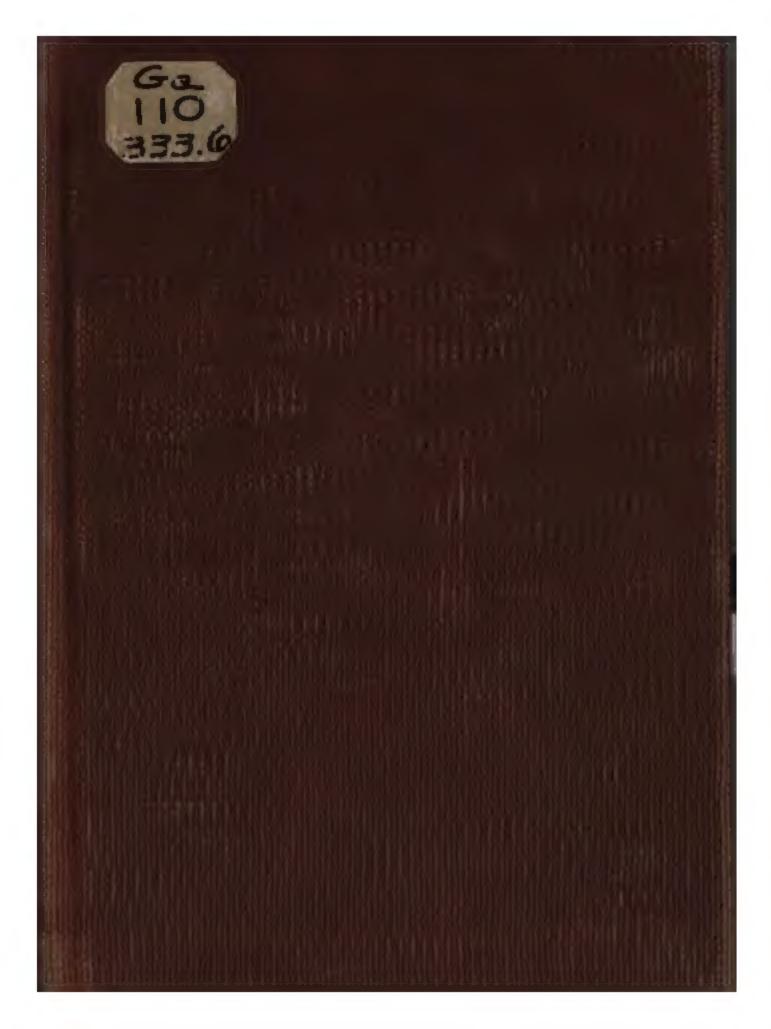
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### PREFACE

IN preparing this edition of the Acharnians I have been indebted throughout to the valuable and exhaustive critical notes and commentary of Dr Blaydes. I have also constantly consulted the editions of Elmsley, Muller, and Ribbeck; as well as those of Mr Green, Dr Merry, and the late Professor Paley. Some good hints are due to Mitchell, and many valuable notes to the late Mr Neil's monumental edition of the Knights. In addition to these I have had before me the notes on the earlier half of the play, left by the late Mr W. G. Clark, and published in the Journal of Philology, Nos. XVI XVIII (1879-80): these notes are marked C. I am besides under special obligation to Dr J. E Sandys for writing Pt. II of the Introduction; one of many instances of kindness and generous help from my old triend and colleague which I gratefully acknowledge.

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### INTRODUCTION

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The Acharnians is the first play of Aristophanes, and therefore the first Greek comedy, which has come down to us in a complete form. Before this, the poet had produced two plays, the Banqueters (Dairadis) in 427, and the Babylonians in 426. Neither of these was exhibited as the writer's own, the latter appearing under the name of Callistratus, the former under that of Callistratus or (some say) Philonides. It is not certain why Aristophanes thus kept himself in the background. It may be, as he seems to suggest (Nub 531), that he was not yet of legal age; or it may have been from modesty or prudence. In any case there was little doubt as to who the poet really was. His first two plays struck the key-note to his after work. He came forward at once as a determined assa lant of the new learning, and of the new democracy.

The Banqueters appears to have been a kind of anticipation of the Clouds; while the Babylonians was a fierce attack on the conduct of public affairs by Cleon and his adherents, especially in the treatment of the subject allies, who were trampled on and oppressed by a despotic rule. Thus from the first Aristophanes declared war on Cleon.

He has certainly had the best of the contest, and has covered his adversary with something like infamy. More even than Thucydides has Aristophanes formed the estimate of succeeding ages on Cleon's character and policy. But it does not follow

that a young satirist's ridicule, however brilliant and amusing, was always just, or his judgment on affairs of state infallible. Grote protests frankly against such an assumption. While he allows that the attacks of the comic poets were damaging to individuals, as Socrates complains that he had suffered from the exhibition of the *Clouds*, he goes on to say—

'On the general march of politics, philosophy, or letters, these composers had little influence. Nor were they ever regarded at Athens in the light in which they are presented to us by modern criticism—as men of exalted morality, stern patriotism, and genuine discernment of the true interests of their country—as animated by large and steady views of improving their fellowcitizens, but compelled, in consequence of prejudice or opposition, to disguise a far-sighted political philosophy under the veil of satire—as good judges of the most debateable questions, such as the prudence of making war or peace—and excellent authority to guide us in appreciating the merits or demcrits of their contemporaries, insomuch that the victims of their lampoons are habitually set down as worthless men. There cannot be a greater misconception of the old comedy than to regard it in this point of view; yet it is astonishing how many subsequent writers (from Diodorus and Plutarch down to the present day) have thought themselves entitled to deduce their facts of Grecian history, and their estimates of Grecian men, events, and institutions, from the comedies of Aristophanes' (Hist. of Greece ch. LXVII).

The Acharnians appeared in 425 at the Lenaean festival in the name of Callistratus. Its main subject is the Peloponnesian war, the slight grounds which had brought it on, the increasing evils and miseries which it involved, the joy and prosperity which peace would ensure. There is no pretence of dealing with high questions of imperial policy. It is simply taken for granted that war is a curse, and that peace ought therefore to be made.

The chief character is Dicaeopolis, a plain hard-headed farmer. Like the other folk in Attica he had been cooped up in the city while the invaders had laid waste his lands. Coming to

the assembly, he finds the authorities as usual neglecting the real interests of the state, busy with entertaining envoys and arranging visionary alliances, while they shut the mouths of true patriots and honest men. At the height of his disgust a truce-agent opportunely arrives, and Dicaeopolis engages him to effect a private treaty with Sparta for his family and himself. The plan is carried out, and Dicaeopolis, secure in the enjoyment of peace, prepares to celebrate with his own household the festival of the rural Dionysia, from which he had been five years debarted. So far is the Prologue, the opening scenes of the play.

The little procession with its duly ordered ceremonial is rudely interrupted by the inroad of the Chorus. It consists of charcoal burners of Acharnae, sturdy old warriors who had be me the brunt of hostile invasion and are implacable in their hatred of the foe. They have heard of the truce and are determined to destroy the traitor. By a happy trick Dicaeopolis makes them hold their hands and consent to a parley. This leads to the Discussion or altercation (dyor) which is always an essential part of the play. Dicaeopolis gets leave to apply to Eurip des that he may win compassion by presenting hinself in piteous guise like a criminal before his judges. Then follows his at peal to justice and common sense. True, he has made a truce with Sparta; but is Sparta altogether to blam; for the war? It was not really a national war, but was brought on by private p que and silly quarrels which had naturally provoked retalation. In the end D.caeopolis wins his case; at any rate he is allowed to depart, announcing his intention of opening a market for the Peloponnesians and their alies.

Now comes the Paramass of the Chorus; a direct address from the poet to the andrence. He declares that he is an honest putriot who has saturzed his fe tow-citizens for their good and will go on to do so. He has told the truth about their policy; and now he has to tweigh against one especial wrong: their unworthy treatment of the old is a biot on the city's fair fame. Veterans who had fought at Mirathon are diagged into court by hot-headed young speakers eager to show off their

powers, and robbed of the little all which should have bought their coffins. Surely this is a crying evil: does it not call for immediate redress?

The Parabasis ended, we find Dicaeopolis setting his market in order. The first trader to come is a Megar an with two little daughters, whom he dresses up and sells as p.gs. Incidentally he tells of the sufferings of his country from the war. Next comes a Boeotian with an assortment of good things for sale, among them that choicest delicacy, the eels of Lake Copais Dicaeopolis welcomes him with joy, and in exchange for his supplies packs up for him an informer who had been spying on the market; the Bocotian having chosen this as a special Athenian commodity not to be found at home. Then, interspersed with choral cides, we have a siries of scenes half come and half serious, all tending to emphasize the blessings of peace and the calamities of war. Finally the play closes with the specta le of the Feast of Pitchers. In the midst of its wild revelyy Lamachus the typical warrior is brought home grievously wounded, while the champion of peace is hailed as conqueror, and borne off in triumph.

We have seen that D.caeopol's when on his defence addresses. himself to Euripides, and a charming scene it is. Aristophanes has the happlest vein of laughing at Euripides, of mocking his characters, and parodying his style with mischievous delight. It may be that he really considered that Euripides lowered the dignity of tragedy; or that he senously believed that his philosophy made him a dangerous innovator in morals and religion. At any rate, he resented his great popularity and did his best to laugh Lim down. It does not tollow that his attacks were fair or his estimate just, though many a writer has been content to accept his banter as sober crit cism and reasoned thath. The poet however was the undoubted favourite of antiquity; and even now he has not lacked defenders, among whom the late Professor Palcy, in the Preface to his edition of Europees, has given an able vindication of his morality and artistic methods.

In the Acharnians lines from Euripides in some ludicrous

setting meet us on every page, while the whole play abounds with tragic parody. Indeed whenever the stately iambic rhythm occurs, instead of the more loosely constructed verse of comedy, we have quasi-tragedy, or at any rate some accommodation of sound to sense<sup>1</sup>.

The Acharnians won the first prize, Cratinus being second and Eupolis third. In the following year Aristophanes was again first with the Knights. That play is a most bitter attack on Cleon; but it is worthy of remark, as Dr Blaydes points out, that there are no more complaints about the war itself, for the victory at Pylos had given the Athenians the upper hand, and the city was now inspired with the hope of triumph.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Neil, App. III, Tragic rhythm in Comedy.

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The plays of Aristophanes were studied in ancient times during (1) the Alexandrian, (2) the Roman, and (3) the Byzantine ages. (1) In the Alexandrian age they were studied by Eratosthenes (d. 194 B.C.), by Aristophanes of Byzantium (d. 180 B.C.), and his pupil Callistratus; also by Crates of Mallos (A. at Pergamon, c. 197—159 B.C.), and by Aristarchus (d. 145 B.C.), Asclepiades (first cent. B.C.) and Didymus (d. 10 A.D.). (2) In the Roman age the first annotated edition of select plays was produced by Symmachus (c. 100 A.D.). This edition contained eleven plays in the following order: Plutus, Nubes, Ranae, Equites, Acharnians, Vespae, Pax, Aves, Thesmophoria-· zusae, Ecclesiazusae and Lysistrata. The plays were also studied by Aelius Herodianus (fl. 161—180 A.D.). (3) In the Byzantine age they were expounded by Tzetzes (cent. xii), Thomas Magister (fl. 1300 A.D.), and Demetrius Triclinius (early xiv cent.)1.

The scholia<sup>2</sup>, or ancient comments, on Aristophanes are preserved in the margins of the MSS of that poet. The principal MSS are the Codex Ravennas (cent. xi), and the Codex Venetus (cent. xi—xii). Of these, the Codex Ravennas was bought in 1498 for Guidobaldo (d. 1508), the son and successor of Federigo, the famous duke of Urbino. The MS was at Pisa in 1712, when it was bought by the abbot Canneti for the library of the Camaldulensian monastery of Classe, in Ravenna. It was there seen by D'Orville in 1726, and its value was recognised by Invernizi in 1794. Facsimiles of two pages (including Ach. 979—1021) are published in Wattenbach's

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Index to J. E. Sandys, History of Classical Scholarship, s. v. Aristophanes.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> σχόλιον, 'a short note, or comment' (from σχολή, 'a lecture') is found as early as Cicero, ad Atticum, xvi 7 § 3. Writers of scholia are called scholiasts, but their actual names are not always known.

S. hrifttafeln (1876, pl. 36 and 37), and two further pages in the Palaeographical Society's Facsimiles, n 105, 106. A facsimile of the whole has been p. blished at Leyden (1904). It contains all the eleven plays now extant. It is preserved in the Biblioteca Comunale (at the S. end of Ravenna), being part of the (now secularised) monastery above mentioned. There are two published collations of the text, besides editions of the comparatively meagre scholia.

The Codex Venetus contains only seven plays:—Plutus, Nubes, Ranae, Equites, Aves, Pax and Vespae. Two pages of facsimile are given in Wattenbach, pl. 38, 39. A facsimile of the whole has been produced by the Hellegic Society, in conjunction with the Archaeological Institute of America (1902). The schola are far fuller than those of the Rayenna MS.

The only scholar contained in the margins of the above MSS are the 'old scholar' of the Alexandrian age, which were preserved in the Roman age by means of the edition prepared by Symmachus, whose name is mentioned in the various scholia nearly forty times. The 'recent scholia' of the Byzantine age are contained in later MSS of Aristophanes, now in Rome, Cremona, Milan and Paris.

The substance of the schola in general consists of (1) Arguments (ὑποθέσεις), (2) Notes (ὑπομνήματα), and (3) Metrical Analyses. The Arguments are mainly due to Aristophanes of Byzantium, and the Metrical Analyses to Heliodotus, c. 1-50 A.D.) The explanatory and critical Notes come from the scholars of the Alexandrian and Byzantine ages already mentioned.

Many of these Notes include quotations from important works no longer extant. Thus the first scholum on Ach. 3, ψαμμοκοσωγώργαρα, has preserved for us fragments from two plays of Eupolis, and from Aristomenes and Sophron. The scholum on 1.530 quotes the celebrated description of Pericles by Eupolis. That on 1.234 (on the battle of Pallene) cites a passage in Aristotle's Constitution of Athens, which was not recovered until early in 1891. While many of these explanatory notes, especially those containing parallel passages, are of

considerable value, the authors of not a few of them deserve the denunciation of Dindorf:—interdum hariolando longius quam debebant progressi, ad nugas esse delapsi reperiuntur. The erudite and accomplished Eratosthenes found it necessary to criticise Lycophron for supposing that the cheap variety of vegetable mentioned in the Vespae (239, κόρκορον) was a diminutive kind of fish; and even Aristophanes of Byzantium believed that, in a well-known line of the Nubes (1007, μίλακος ὄζων καὶ ἀπραγμοσύνης καὶ λευκῆς φυλλοβολούσης), ἀπραγμοσύνη was the name of a plant. Had he lived in England at the present day, he would probably have suggested that the plant in question was the 'heartsease.'

J. E. S.

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### **ΥΠΟΘΕΣΕΙΣ**

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Έκκλησία εφέστηκεν 'Αθήνησιν εν τῷ φανερῷ, καθ' ἡν πολεμοποιούντας τους ρήτορας και προφανώς τον δήμον έξαπατώντας Δικαιόπολίς τις τών αὐτουργών έξελέγχων παρεισάγεται. τούτου δὲ διά τινος, 'Αμφιθέου καλουμένου, σπεισαμένου κατ' ίδιαν τοις Λάκωσιν, 'Αχαρνικοί γέροντες πεπυσμένοι το πράγμα ς προσέρχονται διώκοντες έν χορού σχήματι καὶ μετά ταύτα θύοντα τὸν Δικαιόπολιν ὁρῶντες, ώς ἐσπεισμένον τοῖς πολεμιωτάτοις καταλεύσειν όρμωσιν. ό δε ύποσχόμενος ύπερ επιξήνου την κεφαλήν έχων ἀπολογήσασθαι, έφ' ώτε, αν μή πείση τὰ δίκαια λέγων, τὸν τράχηλον ἀποκοπήσεσθαι, ἐλθών ώς Εἰριπίδην αἰτεί το πτωχικήν στολήν. καὶ στολισθείς τοῖς Τηλέφου βακώμασι παρωδεί τον εκείνου λόγον, οθκ άχαρίτως καθαπτόμενος Περικλέους περί του Μεγαρικού ψηφίσματος. παροξυνθέντων δέ τινων έξ αύτων έπὶ τῷ δοκείν συνηγορείν τοίς πολεμίοις, είτα έπιφερομένων, ένισταμένων δὲ επέρων ώς τὰ δίκαια αὐτοῦ είρη- 15 κότος, επιφανείς Λάμαχος θορυβείν πειράται, είτα γενομένου διελκυσμού κατειεχθείς ο χορός απολύει τον Δικαιόπολιν καὶ πρός τους δικαστάς διαλέγεται περί της του ποιητού άρετης καί άλλων τινών. του δε Δικαιοπόλιδος άγοντος καθ' έαυτον είρήνην τὸ μὲν πρώτον Μεγαρικός τις παιδία ξαυτοῦ διεσκευασμένα 20 είς χοιρίδια φέρων εν σάκκω πράσιμα παραγένεται μετά τοῦτον

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έκ Βοιωτών έτερος εγχέλεις τε καὶ παντοδαπών δρνίθων γόνον άνατιθέμενος είς την άγοράν. οίς επιφανέντων τινών συκοφαντων συλλαβόμενος τινά έξ αύτων ὁ Δικαιόπολις καὶ βάλλων είς 25 σάκκον, τοῦτον τῷ Βοιωτῷ ἀντίφορτον ἐξάγειν ἐκ τῶν ᾿Αθηνῶν παραδίδωσι, καὶ προσαγόντων αὐτῷ πλειόνων καὶ δεομένων μεταδούναι τών σπονδών, καθυπερηφανεί. παροικούντος δε αύτώ Λαμάχου, καὶ ἐι εστηκυίας της των Χοων ἐορτής, τοῦτον μὲν άγγελος παρά των στρατηγών ήκων κελεύει έξελθύντα μετά των 30 δπλων τὰς εἰσβολάς τηρείν τὸν δὲ Δικαιόπολιν παρά τοῦ Διονύσου τοῦ ἱερέως τις καλών ἐπὶ δεῖπνον ἔρχεται. καὶ μετ' ὁλίγον ο μέν τραυματίας και κακώς απαλλάττων έπανήκει, ο δε Δικαιόπολις δεδειπνηκώς καὶ μεθ' έταίρας αιαλύων. τὸ δὲ δράμα τῶν εὖ σφόδρα πεποιημένων, καὶ ἐκ παντὸς τρόπου τὴν εἰρήνην προ-35 καλούμενον. έδιδάχθη έπὶ Ειθυδήμου άρχοντος έν Δηναίοις διά Καλλιστράτου καὶ πρώτος ην δεύτερος Κρατίνος Χειμαζομένοις, ου σώζονται, τρίτος Ευπολις Νουμηνίαις,

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Έκκλησίας ούσης παραγίνονταί τινες πρέσβεις παρά Περσών καὶ παρά Σιτάλκους πάλιν, οἱ μὲν στρατιὰν ἄγοντες, οἱ δὲ χρυσίον παρὰ τῶν Λακεδαιμοιίων τε μετὰ τούτους τινὲς σπονδὰς φέροντες, οῦς 'Αχαρνεῖς οἰδαμῶς εἴασαν, ἀλλ' ἐξέβαλον, ὧν καθάπτεται σκληρῶς ὁ ποιητής. αἰτὸ τὸ ψήφισμὰ τε Μεγαρικὸν ἱκανῶς φησι, καὶ τὸν Περικλέα οῦκ τῶν Λακώνων τῶνδε πάντων αἴτιον, σπονδὰς λύσιν τε τῶν ἐφεστώτων κακῶν.

## ΑΡΙΣΤΟΦΑΝΟΥΣ ΑΧΑΡΝΗΣ

### ΔΙΚΑΙΟΠΟΛΙΣ

"Όσα δη δέδηγμαι την έμαυτοῦ καρδίαν, / ήσθην δε βαιά, πάνυ γε βαιά, τέτταρα· · ά δ' ώδυνήθην ψαμμακοσιογάργαρα. φέρ' ἴδω, τί δ' ήσθην ἄξιον χαιρηδόνος; έγοδο εφ' ο γε το κέαρ ηυφράνθην ιδών, τοις πέντε ταλάντοις οίς Κλέων εξήμεσεν. ταθθ' ώς έγανώθην, και φιλώ τους ίππέας διὰ τοῦτο τοῦργον· ἄξιον γὰρ Ἑλλάδι. άλλ ωδυνήθην έτερον αθ τραγωδικόν, ~ στε δη 'κεχήνη προσδοκών τον Αισχύλον, ό δ' ἀνείπεν, εἴσαγ' ὧ Θέογνι τὸν χορόν. πῶς τοῦτ' ἔσεισέ μου δοκεῖς τὴν καρδίαν; άλλ' έτερον ήσθην, ήνικ' έπὶ Μόσγω ποτέ Δεξίθεος εἰσῆλθ' ἀσόμενος Βοιώτιον. τήτες δ' ἀπέθανον καὶ διεστράφην ίδών, ότε δή παρέκυψε Χαίρις ἐπὶ τὸν ὅρθιον. άλλ' οιδεπώποτ' έξ ότου 'γω ρύπτομαι

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<sup>12.</sup> τοθτ' έσεισε Ιιυτί. τοθτο σείσαι Valck.

<sup>13.</sup> Μόσχφ. μόσχφ Bentl. Elms.

ούτως εδήχθην ύπο κονίας τὰς όφρθς ώς νθν, όπότ' ούσης κυρίας έκκλησίας έωθινής ἔρημος ή πνὺξ αὐτηί. οί δ' ἐν ἀγορά λαλοῦσι κάνω καὶ κάτω τὸ σχοινίου φεύγουσι τὸ μεμιλτωμένον: ούδ' οί πρυτάνεις ηκουσιν, άλλ' αωρίαν ηκοντες είτα δ' ώστιοθνται πώς δοκείς έλθόντες άλλήλοισι περί πρώτου ξύλου, 25 άθροι καταρρέοντες είρηνη δ' όπως έσται προτιμώσ' οὐδέν· ω πόλις πόλις. έγω δ' ἀεὶ πρώτιστος εἰς ἐκκλησίαν νοστών κάθημαι· κάτ', ἐπειδὰν ὧ μόνος, στένω κέχηνα σκορδινώμαι πέρδομαι, 30 άπορῶ γράφω παρατίλλομαι λογίζομαι, άποβλέπων ές τον άγρον ειρήνης έρων, στυγών μέν ἄστυ τὸν δ' ἐμὸν δῆμον ποθών, δς οὐδεπώποτ' εἴπεν, ἄνθρακας πρίω, ούκ όξος ούκ έλαιον, οὐδ΄ ήδει πρίω, 35 άλλ' αὐτὸς ἔφερε πάντα χώ πρίων ἀπην. νθν οθν απεχνώς ήκω παρεσκευασμένος βοᾶν ὑποκρούειν λοιδορείν τοὺς ῥήτορας, έάν τις άλλο πλην περί είρηνης λέγη. άλλ' οί πρυτάνεις γάρ ούτοιὶ μεσημβρινοί. 40 ούκ ήγόρευου; τοῦτ' ἐκεῖν' ούγὼ 'λεγον' ές την προεδρίαν πᾶς ἀνηρ ώστίζεται.

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πάριτ' ές τὸ πρόσθεν, πάριθ', ώς ἄν ἐντὸς ήτε τοῦ καθάρματος.

24. είτα δ'. είτα διωστιούνται Dobr.

#### ΑΜΦΙΘΕΟΣ

ήδη τις είπε; ΚΗ. τίς ἀγορεύειν βούλεται; 45 ΑΜ. ἐγώ. ΠΡ. τίς ὤν; ΑΜ. ᾿Αμφίθεος. ΠΡ. οὐκ ἄνθρωπος; ΑΜ. οὕ,

άλλ' ἀθάνατος, ὁ γὰρ 'Αμφίθεος Δήμητρος ἦν καὶ Τρίπτολέμου' τούτου δὲ Κελεὸς γίγνεται' γαμεῖ δὲ Κελεὸς Φαιναρέτην τήθην ἐμήν, ἐξ ἦς Λυκῖνος ἐγένετ' ἐκ τούτου δ' ἐγὰ 50 ἀθάνατός εἰμ' ἐμοὶ δ' ἐπέτρεψαν οἱ θεοὶ σπονδὰς ποιῆσαι πρὸς Λακεδαιμονίους μόνω. ἀλλ' ἀθάνατος ὤν, ὧνδρες, ἐφόδι' οὐκ ἔχω' οὐ γὰρ διδόασιν οἱ πρυτάνεις. ΚΗ, οἱ τοξόται

ΑΜ. & Τριπτόλεμε καλ Κελεέ περιόψεσθέ με; 55

ΔΙ. ωνδρες πρυτάνεις, άδικεῖτε τὴν ἐκκλησίαν τὸν ἄνδρ' ἀπώγουτες, ὅστις ἡμῖν ἤθελε σπονδὰς ποιῆσαι καὶ κρεμάσαι τὰς ἀσπίδας.

ΚΗ. κάθησο, σίγα. ΔΙ. μὰ τὸν ᾿Απόλλω ᾿γὼ μὲν οῦ, ἢν μὴ περὶ εἰρήνης γε πρυτανεύσητέ μοι. 60

ΚΗ. οί πρέσβεις οί παρά βασιλέως.

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ΔΙ. ποίου βασιλέως; ἄχθομαι 'γὼ πρέσβεσιν καὶ τοῖς ταῶσι τοῖς τ' ἀλαζονεύμασιν.

ΚΗ. σύγα. ΔΙ. βαβαιάξ. Εκβάτανα τοῦ σχήματος.

#### **ΠΡΕΣΒΥΣ**

ἐπέμψαθ' ἡμᾶς ὡς βασιλέα τὸν μέγαν 65
 μισθὸν φέροντας δύο δραχμὰς τῆς ἡμέρας
 ἐπ' Εὐθυμένους ἄρχοντος. ΔΙ, οἴμοι τῶν δραχμῶν.
 ΠΡ. καὶ δῆτ' ἐτρυχόμεσθα παρὰ Καΰστριον

52. notifoat. noterodat libri sulg.

59. siya, siya libri, Mull.

πεδίου όδοιπλαυούντες ἐσκηνημένοι, ἐφὰ ἀρμαμαξῶν μαλθακῶς κατακείμενοι, το ἀπολλύμενοι. ΔΙ. σφόδρα γὰρ ἐσωζόμην ἐγὼ παρὰ τὴν ἔπαλξιν ἐν φορυτῷ κατακείμενος.

ΠΡ. ξενιζόμενοι δὲ πρὸς βίαν ἐπίνομεν ἐξ ὑαλίνων ἐκπωμάτων καὶ χρυσίδων ἄκρατον οἰνον ἡδύν. ΔΙ. ὡ Κραναὰ πόλις, 75 ἄρ' αἰσθάνει τὸν κατάγελων τῶν πρέσβεων;

ΠΡ. οἱ βάρβαροι γὰρ ἄνδρας ἡγοῦνται μόνους τοὺς πλεῖστα δυναμένους φαγεῖν τε καὶ πιεῖν·

ΔΙ. ήμεις δε λαικαστάς γε και καταπύγουας.

ΠΡ. ἔτει τετάρτω δ' ἐς τὰ βασίλει ἤλθομεν: 80 εἶτ' ἐξένιζε, παρετίθει θ' ἡμῖν ὅλους ἐκ κριβάνου βοῦς. ΔΙ. καὶ τίς εἶδε πώποτε βοῦς κριβανίτας; τῶν ἀλαζονευμάτων.

ΠΡ. καὶ ναὶ μὰ Δί' ὅρνιν τριπλάσιον Κλεωνύμου παρέθηκεν ἡμῖν ὅνομα δ' ἦν αὐτῷ φέναξ.

ΔΙ. ταῦτ' ἄρ' ἐφενάκιζες σύ δύο δραχμάς φέρων. 90

ΠΡ. καὶ νῦν ἄγοντες ἥκομεν Ψευδαρτάβαν,
τὸν βασιλέως ὀφθαλμόν. ΔΙ. ἐκκόψειἐ γε κόραξ πατάξας τόν τε σὸν τοῦ πρέσβεως.

ΚΙΙ. ὁ βασιλέως ὀφθαλμός. ΔΙ. ὧναξ Ἡράκλεις. πρὸς τῶν θεῶν, ἄνθρωπε, ναύφρακτον βλέπεις, 95 ἡ περὶ ἄκραν κάμπτων νεώσοικον σκοπεῖς; ἄσκωμ ἔχεις που περὶ τὸν ὀφθαλμὸν κατω.

ΠΡ. ἄγε δὴ σὰ βασιλεὰς ἄττα σ' ἀπέπεμψεν φράσον λέξοντ' 'Αθηναίοισιν ῶ Ψενδαρτάβα.

93. rón re von Emsl. edd. vón ye von libra.

<sup>71.</sup> γάρ ubri vulg γ' ἄρ' Br. Elms. Mull τάρ' Mein.

#### ΨΕΥΔΑΡΤΑΒΑΣ

ιαρταμάν έξαρξας άπισσόνα σάτρα. 100

ΠΡ. ξυνήκαθ δλέγει; ΔΙ. μὰ τὸν Απόλλω 'γώ μὲν ού.

ΠΡ. πέμψειν βασιλέα φησὶν ὑμῖν χρυσίον.
λέγε δὴ σὰ μεῖζον καὶ σαφῶς τὸ χρυσίον.

ΨΕ. οὐ ληψι χρυσό, χαυνόπρωκτ' Ίαοναῦ.

ΔΙ. οἴμοι κακοδαίμων ώς σαφώς. ΠΡ. τί δαὶ λέγει;

ΔΙ. ὅ τι; χαυνοπρώκτους τοὺς Ἰάονας λέγει, 106 εἰ προσδοκῶσι χρυσίου ἐκ τῶν βαρβάρων.

ΠΡ. οὐκ, ἀλλ' ἀχάνας ὅδε γε χρυσίου λέγει.

ΔI,

ποίας αχάνας; σὺ μὲν ἀλαζῶν εἴ μέγας.
ἀλλ' ἄπιθ' - ἐγὰ δὲ βασανιῶ τοῦτον μόνος. 110
ἄγε δὴ σὺ φράσον ἐμοὶ σαφῶς πρὸς τουτονί,
ἴνα μή σε βάψω βάμμα Σαρδιανικόν 
βασιλεὺς ὁ μέγας ἡμῖν ἀποπέμψει χρυσίον;
ἄλλως ἄρ' ἐξαπατώμεθ' ὑπὸ τῶν πρέσβεων;
'Ελληνικόν γ' ἐπένευσαν ἄνδρες οὐτοιί, 115
κοίκ ἔσθ' ὅπως οὐκ εἰσὶν ἐνθένδ' αὐτόθεν.
καὶ τοῖν μὲν εὐνούχοιν τὸν ἔτερον τουτονὶ ἐγῷδ' ὅς ἐστι, Κλεισθένης ὁ Σιβυρτίου.
ἄ θερμόβουλον πρωκτὸν ἐξυρημένε,
τοιόνδε δ' ὧ πίθηκε τὸν πώγων' ἔχων 120
εὐνοῦχος ἡμῖν ἡλθες ἐσκευασμένος;
ὁδὶ δὲ τίς ποτ' ἐστίν; οὐ δήπου Στράτων;

ΚΗ. σίγα, κάθιζε.
τὸν βασιλέως ὀφθαλμὸν ἡ βουλὴ καλεῖ
ἐς τὰ πρυτανεῖον. ΔΙ. ταῦτα δῆτ' οὐκ ἀγχόνη;

100, lapraμάν κ.τ.λ. vid. com.

111. Tourout libri vulg. Tourout Reisk. Mull.

115. avopes Elms. edd. avopes libri vulg.

κάπειτ' έγω δητ' ένθαδι στραγγεύομαι; 126 τους δε ξενίζειν οὐδέποτε γ' ἴσχει θύρα. 
αλλ' εργάσομαι τι δεινον έργον και μέγα. 
αλλ' Αμφίθεός μοι ποῦ 'στιν; ΑΜ. οὐτοσὶ πάρα.

ΔΙ. ἐμοὶ σὰ ταυτασὶ λαβὼν ὀκτὼ δραχμὰς 130 σπονδὰς ποίησον πρὸς Λακεδαιμονίους μόνφ καὶ τοῖσι παιδίοισι καὶ τῆ πλάτιδι· ὑμεῖς δὲ πρεσβεύεσθε καὶ κεχήνετε.

ΚΗ. προσίτω Θέωρος ὁ παρά Σιτάλκους.

#### ΘΕΩΡΟΣ

δδί.
ΔΙ. ἔτερος ἀλαζὼν οὖτος ἐσκηρύττεται. 135
ΘΕ. χρόνον μὲν οἰκ ᾶν ἢμεν ἐν Θράκη πολύν,
ΔΙ. μὰ Δί' οὐκ ἄν, εἰ μισθόν γε μὴ 'φερες πολύν.
ΘΕ. εἰ μὴ κατένιψε χιόνι τὴν Θράκην ὅλην,
καὶ τοὺς ποταμοὺς ἔπηξ'. ΔΙ. ὑπ' αὐτὸν τὸν
χρόνον,
ὅτ' ἐνθαδὶ Θέογνις ἦγωνίζετο. 140

ΟΕ. τοῦτον μετὰ Σιτάλκους ἔπινον τὸν χρόνον καὶ δῆτα φιλαθήναιος ἢν ὑπερφυῶς, ὑμῶν τ' ἐραστὴς ὡς ἀληθῶς ὥστε καὶ ἐν τοῖσι τοίχοις ἔγραφ' ' Αθηναῖοι καλοί. ὁ δ' νίος, ὃν ' Αθηναῖον ἐπεποιήμεθα, 145 ἤρα φαγεῖν ἀλλᾶντας ἐξ ' Απατουρίων, καὶ τὸν πατέρ' ἢντεβύλει βοηθεῖν τῆ πάτρα ὁ δ' ὤμοσε σπένδων βοηθήσειν ἔχων στρατιὰν τοσαύτην, ὥστ' ' Αθηναίους ἐρεῖν

133. κεχήνετε Elms. edd. κεχήνατε (indic.) libri. 136. Δν ήμεν libri Dind. ἀπήν Δν vel Δν ήν Δν Βl. 143. Δε άληθως Dobr. Dind. ή άληθης R.

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όσον τὸ χρημα παρνόπων προσέρχεται. 150 ΔΙ. 'κάκιστ' ἀπολοίμην, εἴ τι τούτων πείθομαι ών είπας ένταυθί σύ πλην τών παρνόπων.  $\Theta E$ καλ νθν όπερ μαχιμώτατον Θρακών έθνος έπεμψεν ύμιν. ΔΙ, τούτο μέν γ' ήδη σαφές. 155 ΚΗ. οί Θράκες ἴτε δεῦρ', οῦς Θέωρος ήγαγεν. ΔΙ. τουτὶ τί ἐστι τὸ κακόν; ΘΕ. 'Οδομάντων στρατός. ΔΙ. ποίων 'Οδομάντων; είπε μοι, τουτί τί ήν; ΘΕ. τούτοις ἐάν τις δύο δραχμάς μισθὸν διδῷ, καταπελτάσονται την Βοιωτίαν όλην. 160  $\Delta I$ . ύποστένοι μένταν ο θρανίτης λεώς, ό σωσίπολις. οίμοι τάλας απόλλυμαι, ύπὸ τῶν 'Οδομάντων τὰ σκόροδα πορθούμενος. οὐ καταβαλεῖτε τὰ σκόροδ'; ΘΕ. ὦ μοχθηρὲ σύ, ού μή πρόσει τούτοισιν έσκοροδισμένοις;  $\Delta I$ . ταυτί περιείδεθ οἱ πρυτάνεις πάσχοντά με έν τη πατρίδι καὶ ταῦθ' ὑπ' ἀνδρῶν βαρβάρων; άλλ' ἀπαγορεύω μή ποιείν ἐκκλησίαν τοίς Θραξί περί μισθού. λέγω δ' ύμιν ότι 170 διοσημία 'στὶ καὶ ρανὶς βέβληκέ με. ΚΗ. τούς Θράκας απιέναι, παρείναι δ' είς ένην. οί γάρ πρυτάνεις λύουσι την έκκλησίαν. οίμοι τάλας μυττωτον δσον απώλεσα.  $\Delta I$ .

#### ΑΜΦΙΘΈΟΣ

άλλ' εκ Λακεδαίμονος γάρ 'Αμφίθεος όδί.

χαιρ' 'Αμφίθεε.

μήπω πρίν ἄν γε στῶ τρέχων· ν. · · δεῖ γάρ με φεύγοντ' ἐκφυγεῖν 'Αχαρνέας.

ΔΙ. τίδ' ἔστ'; ΑΜ. ἐγὰ μὲν δεῦρό σοι σπονδάς φέρων ἔσπευδον· οἱ δ' ἄσφροντο πρεσβῦταὶ τινες 'Αχαρνικοί, στιπτοὶ γέροντες πρίνινοι, 180 ἀτεράμονες Μαραθωνομάχαι σφενδάμνινοι. ἔπειτ' ἀνέκραγον πάντες, 'ὧ μιαρώτατε, σπονδὰς φέρεις τῶν ἀμπέλων τετμημένων;" κὰς τοὺς τρίβωνας ξυνελέγοντο τῶν λίθων ἐγὼ δ' ἔφευγον' οἱ δ' ἐδίωκον κὰβόων. 185

ΔΙ. οί δ' οὖν βοώντων· άλλὰ τὰς σπονδὰς φέρεις;

AM. ἔγωγέ φημι, τρία γε ταυτί γεύματα. αὖται μέν εἰσι πεντέτεις. γεῦσαι λαβών.

ΔΙ. αίβοῖ. ΑΜ. τί ἔστιν; ΔΙ. οὐκ ἀρέσκουσίν μ', ὅτι ὅζουσι πίττης καὶ παρασκευῆς νεῶν.

ΑΜ. σὺ δ' ἀλλὰ τασδὶ τὰς δεκέτεις γεῦσαι λαβών.

ΔΙ. ὄζουσι χαὖται πρέσβεων ές τὰς πόλεις ὀξύτατον, ὤσπερ διατριβῆς τῶν ξυμμάχων.

ΑΜ. ἀλλ' αὐταιί τοί σοι τριακοντοίτιδες
κατὰ γῆν τε καὶ θάλατταν. ΔΙ. ὡ Διονύσια, 195
αὖται μὲν ὄζουσ' ἀμβροσίας καὶ νέκταρος
καὶ μὴ 'πιτηρεῖν σιτί' ἡμερῶν τριῶν,
κἀν τῷ στόματι λέγουσι, βαῖν' ὅποι θέλεις.
ταὐτας δέχομαι καὶ σπένδομαι κὰκπίομαι,
χαίρειν κελεύων πολλὰ τοὺς 'Αχαρνέας. 200
ἐγὼ δὲ πολέμου καὶ κακῶν ἀπαλλαγεὶς
ἄξω τὰ κατ' ἀγροὺς εἰσιὼν Διονύσια.

ΑΜ. έγω δε φείξομαί γε τους 'Αχαρυέας.

#### ΧΟΡΟΣ. ΔΙΚΑΙΟΠΟΛΙΣ, ΘΥΤΑΤΗΡ

ΧΟ. τῆδε πᾶς ἔπου, δίωκε, και τὸν ἄνδρα πυνθάνου στρ.
τῶν ὁδοιπόρων ἀπάντων τῆ πολει γὰρ ἄξιον

194. άλλ' αύται τοι σοι Dobr. Dind. al. άλλ' αύται (σοι) σπονδαί Inbri.

197. μή πιτηρείν· μηκέτι τηρείν Mein. μετρείν Ham.

ξυλλαβείν τὸν ἄνδρα τοῦτον. ἀλλά μοι μηνύσατε, εί τις οίδ' όποι τέτραπται γης ό τὰς σπονδάς φέρων.

έκπέφευγ', οίχεται φρούδος. οίμοι τάλας τών έτων των έμων.

ούκ αν έπ' έμης γε νεότητος, ὅτ' έγω φέρων ανθράκων φορτίον

ήκολοίθουν Φαύλλφ τρέχων, ώδε φαύλως άν ό σπουδοφόρος ούτος ύπ' έμου τότε διωκόμενος έξέφυγεν οὐδ' αν έλαφρώς αν απεπλίξατο. νῦν δ', ἐπειδή στερρον ήδη τούμον ἀντικνήμιον Δυτ. καλ παλαιώ Λακρατείδη τὸ σκέλος βαρύνεται, 120 οίχεται. διωκτέος δέ μη γάρ έγχάνη ποτέ μηδέ περ γέροντας όντας ἐκφυγών 'Αγαρνέας. όστις, ω Ζεῦ πάτερ καὶ θεοί, τοῖσιν ἐχθροῖσιν , έσπείσατο, ση (νδ.

οίσι παρ' έμου πύλεμος έχθοδοπός αυξεται τών έμων γωρίων.

κούκ ανήσω, πρίν αν σχοίνος αύτοισιν άντεμπαγώ όξὺς όδυνηρὸς άνιαρὸς ,ἐπίκωπος, ἵνα 231 μήποτε πατώσιν έτι τὰς ἐμὰς ἀμπέλους. άλλα δεί ζητείν τον άνδρα και βλέπειν βαλλήναδε καλ διώκειν γην πρό γης, έως αν εύρεθη ποτέ. 235 ώς έγω βάλλων έκείνον ούκ αν έμπλήμην λίθοις.

ΔĮ. ευφημείτε, ευφημείτε.

ΧΟ. σίγα πᾶς. ἡκούσατ', ἄνδρες, ἄρα τῆς εὐφημίας; ούτος αὐτός ἐστιν δν ζητοῦμεν. ἀλλά δεῦρο πᾶς έκποδών θύσων γαρ άνήρ, ώς ἔοικ', έξέρχεται. 240

<sup>221.</sup> Tyxdry libri. Eyxdron Elms. edd.

<sup>238.</sup> siya. siya libri.

ΔΙ. εὐφημεῖτε, εὐφημεῖτε.
προίτω 'ς τὸ πρόσθεν ὀλύγον ἡ κανηφόρος.
κατάθου τὸ κανοῦν, ὧ θύγατερ, ἵν' ἀπαρξώμεθα.

ΘΥ. ω μήτερ, ανάδος δεθρο την έτνήρυσιν, 24! Και έτνος καταχέω τοθλατήρος τουτουί.

ΔΙ. καὶ μὴν καλόν γ' ἔστ'. ὦ Διόνυσε δέσποτα κεχαρισμένως σοι τήνδε τὴν πομπὴν ἐμὲ πέμψαντα καὶ θίσαντα μετὰ τῶν οἰκετῶν ἀγαγεῖν τυχηρῶς τὰ κατ' ἀγροὺς Διονύσια, 250 στρατιᾶς ἀπαλλαχθέντα· τὰς σπονδὰς δέ μοι καλῶς ξυνενεγκεῖν τὰς τριακοντούτιδας. ἄγ', ὧ θύγατερ, ὅπως τὸ κανοῦν καλὴ καλῶς οἴσεις βλέπουσα θυμβροφάγον· ὡς μακάριος ὅστις σ' ὀπίσει.

πρόβαινε κάν τώχλω φυλάττεσθαι σφόδρα,
μή τις λαθών σου περιτράγη τὰ χρυσία.
ἐγὼ δ' ἀκολουθῶν ἄσομαι τὸ φαλλικόν τοῦ σὸ δ', ὧ γύναι, θεῶ μ' ἀπὸ τοῦ τέγους. πρόβα.
Φαλῆς, ἔταῖρε Βακχίου, ξύγκωμε, νυκτοπεριπλάνηθ',

εκτφ σ' έτει προσείπον ές τον δημον ελθών ἄσμενος,

σπονδάς ποιησάμενος έμαυτῷ, πραγμάτων τε καὶ μαχών

καὶ Λαμάχων ἀπαλλαγείς.

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Φαλής Φαλής,

έὰν μεθ' ἡμῶν ξυμπίης, ἐκ κραιπάλης ἔωθεν εἰρήνης ῥοφήσει τρύβλιον' ἡ δ' ἀσπὶς ἐν τῷ φεψάλφ κρεμήσεται.

242. προίτω 's Bl. Dind. προίθ' ώς hbri. προίθ' είς Elmsl. Mull. 278. βοφήσει Elmsl. edd. (Vesp. 814). βοφήσεις libri.

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- ΧΟ. οὖτος αὐτός ἐστιν, οὖτος.
  βάλλε βάλλε βάλλε βάλλε,
  παῖε πᾶς τὸν μιαρόν.
  οὐ βαλεῖς; οὖ βαλεῖς;
- ΔΙ. Ἡράκλεις, τουτὶ τί ἐστι; τὴν χύτραν συντρίψετε.
- ΧΟ. σὲ μὲν οὖν καταλεύσομεν, ὦ μιαρὰ κεφαλή. 285
- ΔΙ. άντὶ ποίας αἰτίας, ὧχαρνέων γεραίτατοι;
- ΧΟ. τοῦτ' ἐρωτᾶς; ἀναίσχυντος εἶ καὶ βδελυρός, ὧ προδότα τῆς πατρίδος, ὅστις ἡμῶν μόνος 290 σπεισάμενος εἶτα δύνασαι πρὸς ἔμ' ἀποβλέπειν.
- ΔΙ. ἀντὶ δ' ών ἐσπεισάμην ἀκούσατ', ἀλλ' ἀκούσατε.
- ΧΟ, σοῦ γ' ἀκούσωμεν; ἀπολεῖ· κατά σε χώσομεν τοῖς λίθοις.
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- ΔΙ. μηδαμώς πρὶν ἄν γ' ἀκούσητ' ἀλλ' ἀνάσχεσθ' ἄγαθοί.
- ΧΟ. οὐκ ἀνασχήσομαι· μηδὲ λέγε μοι σὰ λόγον· ὡς μεμίσηκά σε Κλέωνος ἔτι μᾶλλον, δν 300 κατατεμῶ τοῖσιν ἰππεῦσι καττύματα. σοῦ δ' ἐγὼ λόγους λέγοντος οὐκ ἀκούσομαι μακρούς, ὅστις ἐσπείσω Λάκωσιν, ἀλλὰ τιμωρήσομαι.
  - ΔΙ. ὧγαθοί, τοὺς μὲν Λάκωνας ἐκποδὼν ἐάσατε, 305 τῶν δ' ἐμῶν σπουδῶν ἀκούσατ', εἰ καλῶς ἐσπεισάμην.
- ΧΟ. πῶς δ' ἔτ' ἀν καλῶς λέγοις ἄν, εἴπερ ἐσπείσω γ' ἄπαξ
- οίσιν ούτε βωμός ούτε πίστις ούθ' όρκος μένει; ΔΙ. οίδ' έγω και τούς Λάκωνας, οίς ἄγαν έγκείμεθα, ούχ άπάντων όντας ήμιν αιτίους των πραγμάτων.

292. ἀκούσατ', άλλ' Ham. οὐκ ἴσατ' R. οὐκ ἴστε γε ναλη. 307. πῶς δ' ἔτ' Elms. πῶς δέ γ' libri.

- ΧΟ. οὐχ ἀπάντων, ὦ πανοῦργε; ταῦτα δὴ τολμῶς λέγειν ἐμφανῶς ἤδη πρὸς ἡμῶς; εἶτ' ἐγώ σου φείσομαι;
- ΔΙ. οὐχ ἀπάντων, οὐχ ἀπάντων ἀλλ' ἐγὼ λέγων ὁδὶ πόλλ' ἄν ἀποφήναιμ' ἐκείι ους ἔσθ' ἃ κὰδικουμένους.
- ΧΟ. τοῦτο τοὕπος δεινὸν ἤδη καὶ ταραξικάρδιον, 3:5 εἰ σὰ τολμήσεις ὑπὲρ τῶν πολεμίων ἡμῖν λέγειν.
- ΔΙ. καν γε μη λέγω δίκαια μηδε τῷ πλήθει δοκῶ, ὑπερ ἐπιξήνου θελήσω την κεφαλην ἔχων λέγειν.
- ΧΟ. εἰπέ μοι, τι φειδόμεσθα τῶν λίθων, ὧ δημόται,
   μὴ οὐ καταξαίνειν τὸν ἄνδρα τοῦτον ἐς φοινικίδα;
- ΔΙ. οίον αὖ μέλας τις ὑμῖν θυμάλωψ ἐπέζεσεν. 321 οὐκ ἀκούσεσθ'; οὐκ ἀκούσεσθ' ἐτεόν, ὧχαρνηίδαι;
- ΧΟ. οὐκ ἀκουσόμεσθα δήτα. ΔΙ. δεινὰ τἄρα πείσομαι.
- ΧΟ. έξολοίμην, ήν ακούσω. ΔΙ. μηδαμώς άχαρνικοί.
- ΧΟ. ὡς τεθνήξων ἴσθι νυνί. ΔΙ. δήξομἄρ' ὑμᾶς ἐγώ· ἀνταποκτενῶ γὰρ ὑμῶν τῶν φίλων τοὺς φιλτάτους· ὡς ἔχω γ' ὑμῶν ὁμήρους, οὺς ἀποσφάξω λαβών.
- ΧΟ. εἰπέ μοι, τί τοῦτ' ἀπειλεῖ τοὕπος, ἄνδρες δημόται, τοῖς 'Αχαρνικοῖσιν ἡμῖν; μῶν ἔχει του παιδίον τῶν παρόντων ἔνδον εἴρξας; ἡ 'πὶ τῷ θρασύνεται;
- ΔΙ. βάλλετ', εἰ βούλεσθ'. ἐγὰ γὰρ τουτονὶ διαφθερῶ. εἴσομαι δ' ὑμῶν τάχ' ὅστις ἀιθράκων τι κήδεται.
- ΧΟ. ὡς ἀπωλομεσθ'. ὁ λάρκος δημότης ὅδ' ἔστ' ἐμός.
  ἀλλὰ μὴ δράσης ὁ μέλλεις μηδαμῶς ὧ μηδαμῶς.
- ΔΙ. ώς ἀποκτενώ, κέκραχθ' έγω γάρ οὐκ ἀκούσομαι.
- ΧΟ. ἀπολεῖς ἄρ' ὁμήλικα τόνδε φιλανθρακέα;
- ΔΙ. οὐδ' ἐμοῦ λέγοντος ὑμεῖς ἀρτίως ἡκούσατε.

- ΧΟ. ἀλλὰ νυνὶ λέγ, εἴ σοι δοκεῖ; τόν τε Λακεδαιμόνιον αὐτὸν ὅτι τῷ τρόπῷ σοὐστὶ φίλος· ὡς τόδε τὸ λαρκίδιον οὐ προδώσω ποτέ. 340
- ΔΙ. τους λίθους νύν μοι χαμάζε πρώτον έξεράσατε.
- ΧΟ. οὐτοιί σοι χαμαί, καὶ σὺ κατάθου πάλιν τὸ ξίφος.
- ΔΙ. άλλ' ὅπως μη 'ν τοῖς τρίβωσιν ἐγκάθηνταί που λίθοι.
- ΧΟ. ἐκσέσεισται χαμᾶζ'. οὐχ ὁρᾶς σειόμενον; τ ἀλλὰ μή μοι πρόφασεν, ἀλλὰ κατάθου τὸ βέλος. ὡς ὅδε γε σειστὸς ἄμα τῆ στροφῆ γίγνεται. 346

# ΔΙΚΑΙΟΠΟΛΙΣ. ΧΟΡΟΣ

- ΔΙ. ἐμέλλετ' ἄρα πάντως ἀνήσειν τῆς βοῆς,
  ὀλίγου δ' ἀπέθανον ἄνθρακες Παρνήσιοι,
  καὶ ταῦτα διὰ τὴν ἀτοπίαν τῶν δημοτῶν.
  ὑπὸ τοῦ δέους δὲ τῆς μαρίλης μοι συχνὴν 350
  ὁ λάρκος ἐνετίλησεν ὥσπερ σηπία.
  δεινὸν γὰρ οὕτως ὀμφακίαν πεφυκέναι
  τὸν θυμὸν ἀνδρῶν ὥστε βάλλειν καὶ βοᾶν
  ἐθέλειν τ' ἀκοῦσαι μηδὲν ἴσον ἴσφ φέρον,
  ἐμοῦ θέλοντος ὑπὲρ ἐπιξήνου λέγειν
  παίτοι φιλῶ γε τὴν ἐμὴν ψυχὴν ἐγώ.
- ΧΟ. τί οὖν οὖ λέγεις, ἐπίξηνον ἐξενεγκών θύραζ, στρ. ὅ τι ποτ', ὦ σχέτλιε, τὸ μέγα τοῦτ' ἔχεις; πάνυ γὰρ ἔμεγε πόθος ὅ τι φρονεῖς ἔχει. 360 ἀλλ' ἦπερ αὐτὸς τὴν δίκην διωρίσω,
- 339. δτι· al. δτι. φίλος R edd. φίλος plur libri Bl.
  347. πάντως Dobr. πάντες libri. ἀνήσεας τῆς βοῆς Dobr. Mein. Bl.
  ἀνασείεις βοῆς libri. βοής Dind. al. βοάς C.

θείς δεύρο τουπίξηνον έγχείρει λέγειν. ίδου θέασαι, το μέν επιξηνού τοδί,  $\Delta I$ . ο δ' ανήρ ο λέξων ούτοσὶ τυννουτοσί. αμέλει μα του Δί' οὐκ ἐνασπιδώσομαι, λέξω δ' ύπερ Λακεδαιμονίων α μοι δοκεί. καίτοι δέδοικα πολλά τούς τε γάρ τρόπους 370 τούς των άγροίκων οίδα χαίροντας σφόδρα, έάν τις αύτους εύλογή και την πόλιν άνηρ άλαζων καὶ δίκαια κάδικα. κάνταθθα λανθάιουσ' απεμπολώμενοι. τών τ' αδ γερόντων οίδα τὰς ψυχὰς ὅτι 375 οὐδὲν βλέπουσιν ἄλλο πλην ψήφω δακείν. αὐτός τ' έμαυτὸν ὑπὸ Κλέωνος ἄπαθον έπίσταμαι δια την πέρυσι κωμφδίαν. είσελκύσας γάρ μ' ές τὸ βουλευτήριον διέβαλλε καὶ ψευδή κατεγλώττιζε μου 380 κάκυκλοβόρει κάπλυνεν, ώστ' ολίγου πάνυ άπωλόμην μολυνοπραγμονούμενος. νθν οθν με πρώτον πρίν λέγειν εάσατε ένσκευάσασθαί μ' οίον άθλιώτατον.

ΧΟ. τί ταῦτα στρέφει τεχιάζεις τε καὶ πορίζεις τριβάς;
λαβὲ δ' ἐμοῦ γ' ἔνεκα παρ' Ἱερωνύμου σκοτοδασυπυκιότριχά τιν' "Αίδος κυνῆν\* 390 εἰτ' ἐξάιοιγε μηχανὰς τὰς Σισύφου, ὡς σκῆψιν ἀγὼν οὖτος οὐκ ἐσδέξεται.

ΔΙ. ἄρα 'στιν ἄρα μοι καρτεράν ψυχὴν λαβεῖν, και μοι βαδιστέ' ἐστὶν ώς Εἰριπιδην. παῖ παῖ.

#### **ΘΕΡΑΠΩΝ**

τίς ούτος; ΔΙ. ἔνδον ἐστ' Εὐριπίδης; 395

ΘΕ. οὐκ ἔνδον, ἔνδον ἐστίν, εἰ γνώμην ἔχεις.

ΔΙ. πῶς ἔνδον εἶτ' οὐκ ἔνδον; ΘΕ. ὀρθῶς ω γέρον.
ὁ νοῦς μὲν ἔξω ξυλλέγων ἐπύλλια
οὐκ ἔνδον, αὐτὸς δ' ἔνδον ἀναβάδην ποιεῖ
τραγφδίαν. ΔΙ. ω τρισμακάρι Εὐριπίδη, 400
ὅθ' ὁ δοῦλος οὐτωσὶ σοφῶς ὑποκρίνεται.
ἐκκάλεσον αὐτόν. ΘΕ. ἀλλ' ἀδύνατον. ΔΙ. ἀλλ'
ὅμως\*

οὐ γὰρ ἄν ἀπέλθοιμ², ἀλλὰ κόψω τὴν θύραν. Εὐριπίδη, Εὐριπίδιον, ὑπάκουσον, εἴπερ πώποτ² ἀνθρώπων τινί\*

Δικαιόπολις καλέδ σε Χολλειδης, έγώ.

## ΕΥΡΙΠΙΔΗΣ

άλλ' οὐ σχολή.

ΔΙ. ἀλλ' ἐκκυκλήθητ'. ΕΤ. ἀλλ' ἀδύνατον. ΔΙ. ἀλλ' ὅμως.

ΕΥ. άλλ' ἐκκυκλήσομαι· καταβαίνειν δ' οὐ σχολή.

ΔΙ. Ειριπίδη, ΕΤ. τί λέλακας; ΔΙ. ἀναβάδην ποιείς, 410 ἐξὸν καταβάδην; οὐκ ἐτὸς χωλοὺς ποιείς.

άτὰρ τί τὰ ράκι ἐκ τραγφδίας ἔχεις, ἐσθῆτ' ἐλεινήν; οἰκ ἐτὸς πτωχοὺς ποιεῖς. ἀλλ' ἀντιβολῶ πρὸς τῶν γονάτων σ', Εἰριπίδη, δός μοι ράκιὸν τι τοῦ παλαιοῦ δράματος.

396. ούκ ένδον, ούκ ένδον ων έστ' ένδον Cob.

406. Kahei se. Kahi s' d Cob. Mein. Hold.

415. 76 root of row Mull. Mein.

	δεί γάρ με λέξαι τῷ χορῷ ἡῆσιν μακράν.
	αΰτη δὲ θάνατον, ἡν κακῶς λέξω, φέρει.
ET.	τὰ ποῖα τρύχη; μῶν ἐν οἰς Οἰνεὺς ὁδὶ
	ο δίσποτμος γεραιός ήγωνίζετο;
ΔĬ.	ούκ Οινέως ήν, αλλ' ἔτ' αθλιωτέρου. 420
ET.	τὰ τοῦ τυφλοῦ Φοίνικος; ΔΙ. οὐ Φοίνικος, οῦ.
	άλλ' έτερος ην Φοίνεκος άθλιώτερος.
ET.	ποίας ποθ' άνηρ λακίδας αἰτεῖται πέπλων;
	άλλ' ή Φιλοκτήτου τὰ τοῦ πτωχοῦ λέγεις;
ΔI,	ούκ, άλλα τοίτου πολύ πολύ πτωχιστέρου. 425
ET.	άλλ' ή τὰ δυσπινή θέλεις πεπλώματα
	ά Βελλεροφόντης είχ' ὁ χωλὸς ούτοσί;
ΔI.	ού Βελλεροφόντης άλλα μην κακείνος ήν
	χωλός, προσαιτών, στωμύλος, δεινός λέγειν.
ET.	οίδ' ἄνδρα, Μυσον Τήλεφον. ΔΙ. ναι Τήλεφον.
	τούτου δός, αντιβολώ σέ μοι τὰ σπάργανα. 431
ET.	ω παι δὸς αὐτῷ Τηλέφου ἡακώματα.
	κείται δ' ἄνωθεν τών Θυεστείων ρακών
	μεταξύ των Ίνους. Ιδού ταυτί λαβέ.
ΔΙ.	
	ενσκευάσασθαί μ' οίον αθλιώτατον.
	choucogogogo w general minimization

ΔΙ. ὦ Ζεῦ διόπτα καὶ κατόπτα πανταχή.

ἐνσκευάσασθαί μ' οἶον ἀθλιώτατον.

Εὐριπίδη, 'πειδήπερ ἐχαρίσω ταδί,

κἀκεἰνά μοι δὸς τἀκόλουθα τῶν ρακῶν,

τὸ πιλίδιον περὶ τὴν κεφαλὴν τὸ Μύσιον.

δεῖ γάρ με δόξαι πτωχὸν εἶναι τήμερον,

τοὺς μὲν ὅσπερ εἰμί, φαίνεσθαι δὲ μή·

τοὺς μὲν θεατὰς εἰδέναι μ' δς εἴμ' ἐγώ,

τοὺς δ' αὖ χορευτὰς ἡλιθίους παρεστάναι,

ὅπως ἄν αὐτοὺς ρηματίοις σκιμαλίσω.

- ΕΥ. δώσω πυκυή γάρ λεπτά μηχανά φρενί. 445  $\Delta I$ . εὐδαιμονοίης, Τηλέφω δ' άγω φρονώ. εὐ γ' οίον ήδη ρηματίων έμπίμπλαμαι. άταρ δέομαί γε πτωχικού βακτηρίου. ET.
- τουτί λαβών ἄπελθε λαίνων σταθμών.
- $\Delta I$ . ο θύμ, δράς γάρ ώς άπωθοθμαι δόμων 450 πολλών δεόμενος σκευαρίων νύν δή γενού γλίσχρος προσαιτών λιπαρών τ' Εὐριπιδη, δός μοι σπυρίδιου διακεκαυμένου λύχνω.
- τί δ' ω τάλας σε τουδ' έχει πλέκους χρέος; ET.
- $\Delta I$ . χρέος μεν οὐδέν, βούλομαι δ' ὅμως λαβείν. 455
- λυπηρός ζοθ' ών κάποχώρησον δόμων. ET.
- φεῦ εὐδαιμονοίης, ώσπερ ἡ μήτηρ ποτέ.  $\Delta I$ .
- ET. άπελθε νῦν μοι. ΔΙ. μάλλά μοι δὸς εν μόνον, κοτυλίσκιον τὸ χείλος ἀποκεκρουμένον.
- φθείρου λαβών τόδ' · ζαθ' όχληρὸς ῶν δόμοις. 460 ET.
- ούπω μὰ Δί' οἶσθ' οῖ' αὐτὸς ἐργάζει κακά.  $\Delta I$ . άλλ', δ γλυκύτατ' Ευριπίδη, τουτὶ μόνου, δός μοι χυτρίδιον σφογγίφ βεβυσμένου.
- ώνθρωπ', άφαιρήσει με την τραγωδίαν. ἄπελθε ταυτηνὶ λαβών. ΔΙ. ἀπέρχομαι. καίτοι τί δράσω; δεί γὰρ ἐνὸς οὖ μὴ τυχών ἀπόλωλ'. ἄκουσον, ὧ γλυκύτατ' Εὐριπίδη: τουτί λαβών ἄπειμι κού πρόσειμ' έτι" ές τὸ σπυρίδιον ἰσχνά μοι φυλλεία δός.
- ΕΥ. ἀπολεῖς μ'. ἰδού σοι. φροῦδά μοι τὰ δράματα.
- άλλ' οὐκέτ', άλλ' ἄπειμι. καὶ γάρ εἰμ' ἄγαν 471  $\Delta I$ . οχληρός, ού δοκών με κοιράνους στυγείν.

448. άτάρ· αὐτάρ R.

463. σφοργίω σπογγίω Κ.

	οξμοι κακοδαίμων, ώς ἀπόλωλ'. ἐπελαθόμην	T
	έν φπέρ έστι πάντα μοι τὰ πράγματα.	
	Ευριπίδιου, ω γλυκύτατου και φίλτατου,	475
	κάκιστ' ἀπολοίμην, εί τι σ' αιτήσαιμ' έτι,	***
	πλην εν μόνον, τουτί μόνον τουτί μόνον,	
	σκάνδικά μοι δὸς μητρόθεν δεδεγμένος.	
ET.	άνηρ υβρίζει κλήε πηκτά δωμάτων.	
$\Delta I$ .	ω θύμ, άνευ σκάνδικος έμπορευτέα,	480
	άρ' ολοθ' όσον τὸν ἀγῶν' ἀγωνιεί τάχα,	
	μέλλων ύπερ Λακεδαιμονίων ανδρών λέγειν;	
	πρόβαινε νθν, & θυμέ γραμμή δ' αθτηί.	
	έστηκας; ούκ εί καταπιών Εύριπίδην;	
	ἐπήνεσ' άγε νυν, ω τάλαινα καρδία,	485
	άπελθ' εκείσε, κάτα την κεφαλήν εκεί	
	παράσχες εἰποῦσ' ἄττ' ἀν αὐτῆ σοι δοκῆ.	
	τόλμησον, ίθι, χώρησον άγαμαι καρδίας.	
XO.	τί δράσεις; τι φήσεις; άλλ' ἴσθι νυν	490
	άναίσχυντος ών σιδηρούς τ' άνήρ,	.,
	δστις παρασχών τη πόλει τον αυχένα	
	άπασι μέλλεις είς λέγειν τάναντία.	
	άνηρ οὐ τρέμει τὸ πράγμ', εἰά νυν,	495
	ἐπειδήπερ αὐτὸς αίρεῖ, λέγε.	
ΔI.	μή μοι φθονήσητ' ἄνδρες οί θεώμενοι,	
	εὶ πτωχὸς ῶν ἔπειτ' ἐν ᾿Αθηναίοις λέγειν	
	μέλλω περί της πόλεως, τρυγωδίαν ποιών.	
	τὸ γὰρ δίκαιου οίδε καὶ τρυγφδία.	500
	έγω δὲ λέξω δεινά μὲν δίκαια δέ.	
	ού γάρ με νθν γε διαβαλεί Κλέων ότι	
	ξένων παρόντων την πόλιν κακώς λέγω.	
	αύτοι γάρ έσμεν ούπλ Ληναίφ τ αγών,	
	ούπω Εένοι πάρεισιν ούτε νάρ φόροι	505

ηκουσιν ούτ' έκ των πόλεων οι ξύμμαχοι. άλλ' έσμεν αύτοι νύν γε περιεπτισμένοι. τούς γάρ μετοίκους ἄχυρα τῶν ἀστῶν λέγω. έγω δε μισω μεν Λακεδαιμονίους σφόδρα, καὐτοῖς ὁ Ποσειδών ούπὶ Ταινάρω θεὸς 510 σείσας άπασιν έμβάλοι τὰς οἰκίας. κάμολ γάρ έστιν άμπέλια κεκομμένα. άτάρ, φίλοι γάρ οἱ παρόντες ἐν λόγφ, τί ταῦτα τοὺς Λάκωνας αἰτιώμεθα; ήμων γαρ ανδρες, ούχλ την πόλιν λέγω, 515 μέμνησθε τοῦθ' ὅτι οὐχὶ τὴν πόλιν λέγω, άλλ' ἀνδράρια μοχθηρά, παρακεκομμένα, άτιμα καὶ παράσημα καὶ παράξενα, έσυκοφάντει Μεγαρέων τα χλανίσκια. κεί που σίκυον ίδοιεν ή λαγώδιον 520 ή χοιρίδιον ή σκόροδον ή χύνδρους άλας, MEL 1 ταθτ' ήν Μεγαρικά κάπέπρατ' αθθημερόν. καὶ ταῦτα μέν δή σμικρά κάπιχώρια, πόρνην δὲ Σιμαίθαν ἰόντες Μέγαράδε νεανίαι κλέπτουσι μεθυσοκότταβοι. 525 κάθ' οι Μεγαρής δδύναις πεφυσιγγωμένοι αντεξέκλεψαν 'Ασπασίας πόρνα δύο' κάκειθεν άρχη τοῦ πολέμου κατερράγη "Ελλησι πασιν έκ τριών λαικαστριών. έντευθεν όργη Περικλέης ουλύμπιος 530 ήστραπτ', εβρόντα, ξυνεκύκα την Έλλάδα, ετίθει νόμους ώσπερ σκόλια γεγραμμένους, ώς χρή Μεγαρέας μήτε γή μήτ' ἐν ἀγορά

512. αμπέλια. ταμπέλια Mein. Müll.

522. Xordpour dans. dabs vulg.

533- μήτε γἢ. μήτ ἐν γἢ libri.

i vira

μήτ εν θαλάττη μήτ' εν ήπείρω μένειν. έντεύθεν οἱ Μεγαρής, ὅτε δή πείνων βάδην, 535 Λακεδαιμονίων εδέοντο τὸ ψήφισμ' ὅπως μεταστραφείη τὸ διὰ τὰς λαικαστρίας. ούκ ήθέλομεν δ' ήμεις δεομένων πολλάκις. κάντευθεν ήδη πάταγος ήν των άσπίδων. έρει τις, ου χρην' άλλα τι έγρην είπατε. φέρ', εὶ Λακεδαιμονίων τις ἐκπλεύσας σκάφει απέδοτο φήνας κυνίδιον Σεριφίων, καθήσθ' αν έν δόμοισιν; ή πολλού γε δεί. καλ κάρτα μένταν εὐθέως καθείλκετε τριακοσίας ναθς, ήν δ' αν ή πόλις πλέα 545 θορύβου στρατιωτών, περί τριηράρχου βοής. μισθού διδομένου, παλλαδίων χρυσουμένων, στοᾶς στεναχούσης, σιτίων μετρουμένων, ασκών προπωτήρων κάδους ωνουμένων σκορόδων έλαων κρομμύων έν δικτύοις, 550 στεφάνων τριχίδων αὐλητρίδων ὑπωπίων\* τὸ νεώριον δ' αὐ κωπέων πλατουμένων, τύλων ψοφούντων, θαλαμιών τροπουμένων, αὐλῶν κελευστῶν νιγλάρων συριγμάτων. ταθτ' οίδ' ότι αν έδρατε· τὸν δὲ Τήλεφον \* 555 ούκ οιόμεσθα; νους ἄρ' ήμιν ούκ ένε. /

# **HMIXOPION**

άληθες, ὦπίτριπτε καὶ μιαρώτατε; ταυτὶ σὺ τολμᾶς πτωχὸς ὧν ἡμᾶς λέγειν, καὶ συκοφάντης εἴ τις ἦν ὧνείδισας;

505

570

#### **HMIXOPION**

- νη του Ποσειδώ και λέγει γ' άπερ λέγει 560 δίκαια πάντα κουδεν αυτών ψεύδεται.
- HM. εἰτ' εἰ δίκαια, τοῦτον εἰπεῖν αὕτ' ἐχρῆν;
  ἀλλ' οι δὲ χαίρων ταῦτα τολμήσει λέγειν.
- ΗΜ. ούτος σὺ ποῖ θεῖς; οὐ μενεῖς; ὡς εἰ θενεῖς τὸν ἄνδρα τοῦτον, αὐτὸς ἀρθήσει τάχα.
- ΗΜ. ἰὼ Λάμαχ, ὦ βλέπων ἀστραπάς,
  βοήθησον, ὦ γοργολόφα, φανείς,
  ἰὼ Λάμαχ, ὧ φίλ ΅ ὦ φυλέτα ˙
  εἴτε τις ἔστι ταξίαρχος ἢ στρατηγὸς ἡ
  τειχομάχας ἀνήρ, βοηθησάτω
  τις ἀψύσας. ἐγὼ γὰρ ἔχομαι μέσος. ˙

## AAMAXOX

- ΛΑ. πόθεν βοῆς ἤκουσα πολεμιστηρίας;
  ποὶ χρὴ βοηθεῖν; ποὶ κυδοιμὸν ἐμβαλεῖν;
  τίς Γοργόν ἐξήγειρεν ἐν τοῦ σάγματος;
- ΔΙ. & Λάμαχ' ήρως, των λόφων καὶ των λόχων. 575
- ΗΜ. & Λάμαχ, οὐ γὰρ οὖτος ἄνθρωπος πάλαι ἄπασαν ἡμῶν τὴν πόλιν κακορροθεῖ;
- ΛΑ. οῦτος σὰ τολμᾶς πτωχὸς ὧν λέγειν τάδε;
- ΔΙ. ὦ Λάμαχ' ήρως ἀλλὰ συγγνώμην ἔχε, εἰ πτωχὸς ὧν εἶπόν τι κἀστωμυλάμην.
- ΛΑ. τί δ' εἶπας ἡμᾶς; οὐκ ἐρεῖς; ΔΙ. οὐκ οἶδά πω· ὑπὸ τοῦ δέους γὰρ τῶν ὅπλων εἴλιγγιῶ. 58: ἀλλ' ἀντιβολῶ σ', ἀπένεγκέ μου τὴν μορμόνα.
- ΛΑ. ίδού. ΔΙ. παράθες νυν υπτίαν αὐτὴν ἐμοί.
- ΛΛ. κείται. ΔΙ. φέρε νυν άπὸ τοῦ κράνους μοι τὸ πτερόν.

563. οὐδέ. οῦ τι Bentl. Mein. al. 580. οὐκ οἴδά πω· libri. οὐκ οἶδα. Λ. πως; Βετακ. Müll.

- ΛΑ. τουτὶ πτίλου σοι. ΔΙ. τῆς κεφαλῆς νύν μου λαβοῦ, 585
  ἴν' ἐξεμέσω· βδελύττομαι γὰρ τοὺς λόφους.
- ΛΑ. οὖτος τί δράσεις; τῷ πτίλφ μέλλεις ἐμεῖν;
   πτίλον γάρ ἐστιν ΔΙ. εἰπέ μοι, τίνος ποτε ὅρνιθός ἐστιν; ἄρα κομπολακίθου;
- ΛΑ. οἴμ' ώς τεθνήξεις. ΔΙ. μηδαμώς, δ Λάμαχε· 590 οὐ γὰρ κατ' ἰσχύν ἐστιν· εἰ δ' ἰσχυρὸς εἰ, τί μ' οὐκ ἀπεψίλωσας; εὕοπλος γὰρ εἰ.
- ΛΑ. ταυτί λέγεις σύ του στρατηγόν πτωχός ώυ;
- ΔΙ. έγω γάρ είμι πτωχός; ΛΑ. άλλα τίς γάρ εί;
- ΔΙ. δατις; πολίτης χρηστός, οὐ σπουδαρχίδης, 595 ἀλλ' ἐξ ὅτου περ ὁ πόλεμος στρατωνιδης, σὺ δ' ἐξ ὅτου περ ὁ πόλεμος μισθαρχίδης.
- ΛΛ. ἐχειροτόνησαν γάρ με ΔΙ. κόκκυγές γε τρεῖς. ταῦτ' οὖν ἐγὼ βδελυττόμενος ἐσπεισάμην, ὁρῶν πολιοὺς μὲν ἄνδρας ἐν ταῖς τάξεσιν, 600 νεανίας δ' οἶος σὰ διαδεδρακότας, τοὺς μὲν ἐπὶ Θρακης μισθοφοροῦντας τρεῖς δραχμάς,

Τισαμενοφαινίππους, Πανουργιππαρχίδας ετέρους δε παρά Χάρητι, τους δ' εν Χαόσιν Γερητοθεοδώρους, Διομειαλαζότας, 605 τους δ' εν Καμαρίνη κάν Γέλα καν Καταγέλα.

 ΛΑ. ἐχειροτονήθησαν γάρ. ΔΙ. αἴτιον δὲ τί ίμᾶς μὲν ἀεὶ μισθοφορεῖν ἁμηγέπη, τωνδὶ δὲ μηδέν'; ἐτεόν, ຜ Μαριλάδη, ἤδη πεπρέσβευκας σὰ πολιὸς ῶν ἀνήρ; 610

591. éarir. aoisarte Mein. Mull. 601. olos ad Mein. Dind. al. olovs ad libri. clovs ad Hold. 610. desp Bl. evy R vid. com. ανένευσε καίτοι γ' έστὶ σώφρων κάργάτης.
τί δ' 'Ανθράκυλλος ἡ Εὐφορίδης ἡ Πρινίδης;
εἰδέν τις ὑμῶν τἀκβάταν' ἡ τοὺς Χαόνας;
οὕ φασιν. ἀλλ' ὁ Κοισύρας καὶ Λάμαχος,
οἰς ὑπ' ἐράνου τε καὶ χρεῶν πρώην ποτέ, 615
ὥσπερ ἀπόνιπτρον ἐκχέοντες ἐσπέρας,
ἄπαντες ἐξίστω παρήνουν οἱ φίλοι.

ΛΑ. & δημοκρατία, ταῦτα δῆτ' ἀνασχετά;

ΔΙ. οὐ δῆτ, ἐὰν μὴ μισθοφορῆ γε Λάμαχος.

ΛΑ. ἀλλ' οὖν ἐγὼ μὲν πᾶσι Πελοποννησίοις 620 ἀεὶ πολεμήσω καὶ ταράξω πανταχῆ καὶ ναυσὶ καὶ πεζοῖσι κατὰ τὸ καρτερόν.

ΔΙ. ἐγὼ δὲ κηρύττω γε Πελοποννησίοις ἄπασι καὶ Μεγαρεῦσι καὶ Βοιωτίοις πωλεῖν ἀγοράζειν πρὸς ἐμέ, Λαμάχφ δὲ μή. 615

# ΠΑΡΑΒΑΣΙΣ ΧΟΡΟΥ

άνηρ νικά τοίσι λόγοισιν, καὶ τὸν δημον μεταπείθει

περί τῶν σπονδῶν. ἀλλ' ἀποδύντες τοῖς ἀναπαίστοις ἐπίωμεν.

εξ οδ γε χοροίσιν εφέστηκεν τρυγικοίς δ διδάσκαλος ήμων,

ούπω παρέβη πρὸς τὸ θέατρον λέξων ώς δεξιός έστιν:

διαβαλλόμενος δ' ύπὸ τῶν ἐχθρῶν ἐν 'Αθηναίοις ταχυβούλοις, 630

ώς κωμφδεί την πόλιν ήμων και του δημου καθυβρίζει,

άποκρίνεσθαι δείται νυνί πρός 'Αθηναίους μετα-Βούλους.

φησίν δ' είναι πολλών αγαθών αξιος ύμιν ό ποιητής,

παύσας έμᾶς ξενικοῖσι λόγοις μη λίαν έξαπατᾶσθαι,

μηδ' ἥδεσθαι θωπευομένους μηδ' είναι χαυνοπολίτας. 635

πρότερον δ' ύμᾶς ἀπὸ τῶν πόλεων οἱ πρέσβεις ἐξαπατῶντες

πρώτον μεν λοστεφάνους εκάλουν καπειδή τοῦτό τις εἴποι,

είθὺς διὰ τοὺς στεφάνους ἐπ' ἄκρων τῶν πυγιδίων ἐκάθησθε.

εὶ δέ τις ύμᾶς ὑποθωπεύσας λιπαρὰς καλέσειεν 'Αθήνας,

ηύρετο πᾶν ᾶν διὰ τὰς λιπαράς, ἀφύων τιμὴν περιάψας.

ταθτα ποιήσας πολλών άγαθών αἴτιος υμίν γεγένηται,

καὶ τοὺς δήμους ἐν ταῖς πόλεσιν δείξας ὡς ΄ δημοκρατοῦνται.

τοιγάρτοι νθν έκ των πόλεων τον φόρον υμίν ἀπάγοντες

ηξουσιν, ίδεῖν ἐπιθυμοῦντες τὸν ποιητὴν τὸν ἄριστον,

όστις παρεκινδύνευσ' είπεῖν ἐν 'Αθηναίοις τὰ δίκαια.

634. maboas. meloas Reisk. Bl.

635 μηδ'...μηδ' (Mein.) Bl. μήθ' ...μήτ' vulg.

641. alreos. afecs Bl.

ούτω δ' αὐτοῦ περὶ τῆς τόλμης ἤδη πόρρω κλέος ῆκει,

δτε καὶ βασιλεύς, Λακεδαιμονίων την πρεσβείαν βασανίζων,

ήρωτησεν πρώτα μέν αὐτοὺς πότεροι ταῖς ναυσὶ κρατοῦσιν,

είτα δὲ τοῦτον τὸν ποιητήν ποτέρους εἴποι κακὰ πολλά·

τούτους γὰρ ἔφη τοὺς ἀνθρώπους πολὺ βελτίους γεγενῆσθαι 650

καν τῷ πολέμω πολύ νικήσειν τοῦτον ξύμβουλον ἔχοντας.

δια ταθθ' ύμας Λακεδαιμόνιοι την είρηνην προκαλοθνται

καλ την Αίγιναν άπαιτούσιν· καλ της νήσου μεν εκείνης

οὐ φροντίζουσ', ἀλλ' ΐνα τοῦτον τὸν ποιητὴν ἀφέλωνται.

άλλ' ὑμεῖς τοι μή ποτ' ἀφῆθ'· ὡς κωμφδήσει τὰ δίκαια· 655

φησὶν δ' ὑμᾶς πολλὰ διδάξειν ἀγάθ', ὥστ' εὐδαίμονας εἶναι,

ου θωπεύων οὐδ' υποτείνων μισθούς οὐδ' εξαπατύλλων,

ούδὲ πανουργών ούδὲ κατάρδων, άλλὰ τὰ βέλτιστα διδάσκων.

πρός ταῦτα Κλέων καὶ παλαμάσθω καὶ πᾶν ἐπ' ἐμοὶ τεκταινέσθω. 660 τὸ γὰρ εὖ μετ' ἐμοῦ καὶ τὸ δίκαιον

646. obra 8'. obras Bl. Mein.

ξύμμαχον ἔσται, κοὖ μή ποθ' ἀλῶ περὶ τὴν πόλιν ὧν ὥσπερ ἐκεῖνος δειλὸς καὶ λακαταπύγων.

στρ. δεθρο Μοθσ' έλθε φλεγυρά πυρός έχουσα μένος έντονος 'Αχαρνική, 665

οίον έξ άνθράκων πρινίνων φέψαλος άνήλατ' ερεθιζόμενος οιρία ριπίδι,

ήνίκ' αν έπαι θρακίδες ώσι παρακείμεναι, 670 οί δε Θασίαν ανακυκώσι λιπαράμπυκα,

οί δὲ μάττωσιν, οῦτω σοβαρὸν ἐλθε μέλος εὔτονον ἀγροικότερον

ώς έμε λαβούσα τον δημότην.

675

οί γέροντες οἱ παλαιοὶ μεμφόμεσθα τἢ πόλει·
οὐ γὰρ ἀξίως ἐκείνων ὧν ἐναυμαχήσαμεν
γηροβοσκούμεσθ ὑφ ὑμῶν, ἀλλὰ δεινὰ πάσχομεν,
οἵτινες γέροντας ἄνδρας ἐμβαλόντες ἐς γραφὰς
ὑπὸ νεανίσκων ἐᾶτε καταγελῶσθαι ῥητόρων, 68ο
οἰδὲν ὄντας, ἀλλὰ κωφοὺς καὶ παρεξηυλημένους,
οἴς Ποσειδῶν ἀσφάλειὸς ἐστιν ἡ βακτηρία·
τοι θορύζοντες δὲ γήρα τῷ λίθῳ προσέσταμεν,
οὐχ ὁρῶντες οὐδὲν εἰ μὴ τῆς δίκης τὴν ἡλύγην.
ὁ δὲ νεαιίας ἐαυτῷ σπονδάσας ξυνηγορεῖν 685
ἐς τάχος παίει ξυνάπτων στρογγύλοις τοῖς ῥήμασιν·

κάτ' ἀνελκύσας ἐρωτῷ σκανδάληθρ' ἰστὰς ἐπῶν ἄνδρα Τιθωνὸν σπαράττων καὶ ταράττων καὶ κυκῶν.

δ δ' ύπο γήρως μασταρίζει, κάτ' οφλών απέρχεται.

674- αγροικότερον. αγροικότονον R. al. Mein. Mull.

είτα λύζει καὶ δακρύει καὶ λέγει πρὸς τοὺς φίλους οὖ μ' ἐχρῆν σορὸν πρίασθαι τοῦτ ὀφλὼν ἀπέρχομαι.

ταῦτα πῶς εἰκότα, γέροντ' ἀπολέσαι πολιὸν ἄνδρα περὶ κλεψύδραν, κή ώντ.

πολλά δη ξυμπονήσαντα και θερμόν άπομορξάμενον άνδρικου ίδρωτα δη και πολύν, 695 άνδρ' άγαθου όντα Μαραθώνι περί την πόλιν; είτα, Μαραθώνι μεν ότ' ήμεν, εδιώκομεν

ιῦν δ' ὑπ' ἀνδρῶν πουηρῶν σφόδρα διωκόμεθα, κἦτα πρὸς ἀλισκόμεθα. 700 πρὸς τάδε τίς ἀντερεῖ Μαρψίας;

τῷ γὰρ εἰκὸς ἄνδρα κυφὸν ἡλίκου Θουκυδίδην ἐξολέσθαι ξυμπλακέντα τῆ Σκυθῶν ἐρημίᾳ, τῷδε τῷ Κηφισοδήμῳ τῷ λάλῳ ξυνηγόρῳ; τος ἄστ' ἐγὰ μὲν ἡλέησα κἀπεμορξάμην ἰδὰν ἄνδρα πρεσβύτην ὑπ' ἀνδρὸς τοξότου κυκώμενον δς μὰ τὴν Δήμητρ', ἐκεῖνος ἡνίκ' ἦν Θουκυδίδης, οὐδ' ἄν αὐτὴν τὴν 'Αχαίαν ῥαδίως ἡιέσχετ' ἄν,

δέκα, 710 κατεβόησε δ' αν κεκραγώς τοξότας τρισχιλίους, περιετόξευσεν δ' αν αυτού του πατρός τους Ευγγενείς.

άλλα κατεπάλαισε μένταν πρώτον Ευάθλους

άλλ' ἐπειδὴ τοὺς γέρουτας οὐκ ἐᾶθ' ὕπνου λαχεῖν, ψηφίσασθε χωρὶς εἶναι τὰς γραφάς, ὅπως ᾶν ἢ τῷ γέροντι μὲν γέρων καὶ νωδὸς ὁ ξυνήγορος, 715 τοῖς νέσισι δ' εἰρύπρωκτος καὶ λαλος χὼ Κλεινίου, κάξελαύνειν χρή τὸ λοιπόν, κᾶν φύγη τις ζημιοθν, τὸν γέροντα τῷ γέροντι, τὸν νέον δὲ τῷ νέφ.

## ΔΙΚΑΙΟΠΟΛΙΣ. ΧΟΡΟΣ

ΔΙ. ὅροι μὲν ἀγορᾶς εἰσιν οἴδε τῆς ἐμῆς.
ἐνταῦθ' ἀγοράζειν πᾶσι Πελοποννησίοις 720
ἔξεστι καὶ Μεγαρεῦσι καὶ Βοιωτίοις,
ἐφ' ῷτε πωλεῖν πρὸς ἐμέ, Λαμάχῳ δὲ μή,
ἀγορανόμους δὲ τῆς ἀγορᾶς καθίσταμαι
τρεῖς τοὺς λαχόντας τούσδ' ἰμάντας ἐκ Λεπρῶν,
ἐνταῦθα μήτε συκοφάντης εἰσίτω 725
μήτ' ἄλλος ὅστις Φασιανός ἐστ' ἀνήρ.
ἐγὼ δὲ τὴν στήλην καθ' ἣν ἐσπεισάμην
μέτειμ', ἵνα στήσω φανερὰν ἐν τὰγορᾶ.

## ΑΝΗΡ ΜΕΓΑΡΕΥΣ. ΚΟΡΑ

ΜΕ. ἀγορὰ 'ν 'Αθάναις χαῖρε Μεγαρεῦσιν φίλα.
ἐπόθουν τυ ναὶ τὸν φίλιον ἄπερ ματέρα. 730
ἀλλ', ὧ πονηρὰ κώρι' ἀθλίω πατρός,
ἄμβατε ποττὰν μᾶδδαν, αἴ χ' εὕρητέ πα.
ἀκούετε δή, ποτέχετ' ἐμὶν τὰν γαστέρα:
πότερα πεπρᾶσθαι χρήδδετ' ἡ πεινῆν κακῶς;

ΚΟ. πεπράσθαι πεπράσθαι.
ΜΕ. ἐγώνγα καὐτός φαμι. τίς δ' οὔτως ἄνους δς ὑμέ κα πρίαιτο φανερὰν ζαμίαν;
ἀλλ' ἔστι γάρ μοι Μεγαρικά τις μαχανά.
χοίρως γὰρ ὑμὲ σκευασας φασῶ φέρεν.
περίθεσθε τάσδε τὰς ὁπλὰς τῶν χοιρίων.
ὅπως δὲ δοξεῖτ' εἰμεν ἐξ ἀγαθὰς ὑός:

740. των χοιρίων, τως χοιρία ΒΙ. των χοιρίνων Mein.

ώς ναὶ τὸν Ἑρμᾶν, αἴπερ ἰξεῖτ' οἴκαδις
ἄπρατα, πειρασεῖσθε τᾶς λιμῶ κακῶς.
ἀλλ' ἀμφίθεσθε καὶ ταδὶ τὰ ῥυγχία,
κἤπειτεν ἐς τὸν σάκκον ῶδ' ἐσβαίνετε τός
ὅπως δὲ γρυλλιξεῖτε καὶ κοίξετε
χήσεῖτε φωνὰν χοιρίων μυστηρικῶν.
ἐγὼν δὲ καρυξῶ Δικαιόπολιν ὅπα. ἐ
Δικαιόπολι, ἢ λῆς πρίασθαι χοιρία;
τὸ ἀνὰο Μενασινότι ΜΕ ἀνροσσοῦντος ἔνους

ΔΙ. τί ἀνὴρ Μεγαρικός; ΜΕ. ἀγορασοῦντες ἵκομες.

ΔΙ. πώς έχετε; ΜΕ. διαπεινάμες ἀεὶ ποττὸ πύρ. 751

ΔΙ. ἀλλ' ἡδύ τοι νὴ τὸν Δί', ἢν αὐλὸς παρῆ.
τί δ' ἄλλο πράττεθ' οἱ Μεγαρῆς νῦν; ΜΕ. οἱα δή.
ὅκα μὲν ἐγὼν τηνῶθεν ἐμπορευόμαν,
ἄνδρες πρόβουλοι τοῦτ' ἔπρασσον τῷ πόλι, 755
ὅπως τάχιστα καὶ κάκιστ' ἀπολοίμεθα.

ΔΙ. αὐτίκ' ἄρ' ἀπηλλάξεσθε πραγμάτων. ΜΕ. σά μάν;

ΔΙ. τίδ' ἄλλο Μεγαροί; πῶς ὁ σῖτος ὤνιος;

ΜΕ. παρ' άμὲ πολυτίματος, ἄπερ τοὶ θεοί. 759

ΔΙ. ἄλας οὖν φέρεις; ΜΕ. οὐχ ὑμὲς αὐτῶν ἄρχετε;

ΔΙ. οὐδὲ σκόροδα; ΜΕ. ποῖα σκόροδ'; εμὲς τῶν ἀεί, ὅκκ' ἐσβάλητε, τὼς ἀρουραῖοι μύες πάσσακι τὰς ἄγλιθας ἐξορύσσετε

ΔΙ. τί δαὶ φέρεις; ΜΕ. χοίρους ἐγάνγα μυστικάς.

ΔΙ. καλώς λέγεις · ἐπίδειξον. ΜΕ. ἀλλὰ μὰν καλαί. ἄντεινον αὶ λῆς · ὡς τιαχεῖα καὶ καλά. 766

ΔΙ. τουτί τί ην τὸ πράγμα; ΜΕ. χοίρος ναὶ Δία.

ΔΙ. τί λέγεις σύ; ποδαπή χοιρος ήδε; ΜΕ. Μεγαρικά.

> 743. axpara. rd wpa(6)ra libri. 759. wap' duè libri. wap' dut Elma.

ή οὐ χοῖρός ἐσθ ἄδ'; ΔΙ. οἰκ ἔμοιγε φαίνεται.
ΜΕ. οὐ δεινά; θᾶσθε τῶδε τὰς ἀπιστίας 770 οὔ φατι τάνδε χοῖρον εἶμεν. ἀλλὰ μάν, αἰ λῆς, περίδου μοι περὶ θυμιτιδᾶν ἀλῶν, αἰ μή 'στιν οὖτος χοῖρος 'Ελλάνων νόμω. ἡ λῆς ἀκοῦσαι φθεγγομένας; ΔΙ. νὴ τοὺς θεοὺς ἔγωγε. ΜΕ. φώνει δὴ τὰ ταχέως, χοιριον. οὐ χρῆσθα; σιγῆς, ὧ κάκιστ' ἀπολουμένα; πάλιν τυ ἀποισῶ ναὶ τὸν 'Ερμᾶν οἴκαδις.

ΚΟ. κοΐ κοΐ.

ΜΕ. αύτα 'στὶ χοίρος; ΔΙ. ιῦν γε χοίρος φαίνεται.

ΜΕ. άλλ' αὶ τράφεν λŷς, ἄδε τοι χοῖρος καλά.

ΔΙ. ήδη δ' ἄνευ της μητρός ἐσθίοιεν ἄν;

ΜΕ, ναὶ τὸν Ποτειδά καί κ' ἄνις γα τῶ πατρός.

ΔΙ. τί δ' ἐσθίει μάλιστα; ΜΕ. πάνθ' ἃ κα διδῷς. αὐτὸς δ' ἐρώτη. ΔΙ. χοῖρε χοῖρε. ΚΟ. κοὶ κοί.

ΔΙ. τρώγοις αν έρεβίνθους; ΚΟ. κοτ κοτ κοτ. 801

ΔΙ. τί δαί; φιβάλεως ἰσχάδας; ΚΟ. κοί κοί.

ΔΙ. τί δαὶ σύ; τρώγοις ἄν; ΚΟ! κοί, κοί, κοί.

ΔΙ. ὡς ὀξὺ πρὸς τὰς ἰσχάδας κεκράγατε.
ἐνεγκάτω τις ἔνδοθεν τῶν ἰσχάδων 805
τοῖς χοιριδίοισιν. ἄρα τρώξονται; βαβαί,
οἶον ῥοθιάζουσ', ὡ πολυτίμηθ' Ἡράκλεις.
ποδαπὰ τὰ χοιρί'; ὡς Τραγασαῖα φαίνεται.
ὰλλ' οὕτι πάσας κατέτραγον τὰς ἰσχάδας.

ΜΕ. έγων γαρ αυτάν τάνδε μίαν ανειλόμαν.

810

ΔΙ. νη τον Δι' ἀστείω γε τω βοσκήματε· πόσου πρίωμαί σοι τὰ χοιρίδια; λέγε.

ΜΕ. τὸ μὲν ἄτερον τούτων σκορόδων τροπαλίδος,

τὸ δ΄ ἄτερον, αἰ λῆς, χοίνικος μόνας άλῶν.
ΔΙ. ἀνήσομαί σοι· περίμεν αὐτοῦ. ΜΕ, ταῦτα δή. Έρμὰ μπολαῖε, τὰν γυναῖκα τὰν ἐμὰν 816 οὕτω μ' ἀποδόσθαι τὰν τ' ἐμωυτῶ ματέρα.

# ΣΥΚΟΦΑΝΤΗΣ

ωνθρωπε ποδαπός; ΜΕ, χοιροπώλας Μεγαρικός.

ΣΥ. τὰ χοιρίδια τοίνυν ἐγὰ φανῶ ταδὶ πολέμια καὶ σέ. ΜΕ. τοῦτ' ἐκεῖν', ἵκει πάλιν ὅθενπερ ἀρχὰ τῶν κακῶν ἁμὶν ἔφυ. 811

ΣΥ. κλάων μεγαριείς. οὐκ ἀφήσεις τὸν σάκου;

ΜΕ. Δικαιόπολι Δικαιόπολι, φαντάδδομαι.

ΔΙ. ὑπὸ τοῦ; τίς ὁ φαίνων σ' ἐστίν; ἀγορανόμοι, τοὺς συκοφάντας οὐ θίραζ ἐξείρξετε; 825 τί δη μαθών φαίνεις ἄνευ θρυαλλίδος;

ΣΤ. οὐ γὰρ φανῶ τοὺς πολεμίους; ΔΙ. κλάων γε σύ, εἰ μὴ 'τέρωσε συκοφαντήσεις τρέχων.

ΜΕ, οίου τὸ κακὸυ ἐν ταῖς 'Αθάναις τοῦτ' ἔνι.

ΔΙ. θάρρει Μεγαρίκ' άλλ' ής τὰ χοιρίδι' ἀπέδου 830 τιμής, λαβὲ ταυτὶ τὰ σκόροδα καὶ τοὺς ἄλας, καὶ χαῖρε πόλλ'. ΜΕ. ἀλλ' άμὶν οὐκ ἐπιχώριον.

ΔΙ. πολυπραγμοσίνη νυν ές κεφαλήν τράποιτ' έμοί.

ΜΕ. ἄ χοιρίδια, πειρήσθε κάνις τῶ πατρὸς παίειν ἐφ' άλλ τὰν μᾶδδαν, αἴκα τις διδῷ. 835

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είδαιμονεί γ' ἄνθρωπος. οὐκ ήκουσας οἱ προβαίνει τὸ πρᾶγμα τοῦ βουλεύματος; καρπώσεται γὰρ ἀνὴρ

έν ταγορά καθήμενος. κάν είσίη τις Κτησίας ή συκοφάντης άλλος, οί-840 μώζων καθεδείται. ουδ' άλλος ανθρώπων υποψωνών σε πημανεί τι οιδ' ώστιεί Κλεωνιμω. χλαίναν δ' έχων φανήν δίει, 845 κού ξυντυχών σ' Υπέρβολος δικών άναπλήσει ούδ' εντυχών εν τάγορα πρόσεισί σοι βαδίζων Κρατίνος αὖ κεκαρμένος μοιχὸν μιὰ μαχαίρα, ό περιπόνηρος 'Αρτέμων, 850 ό ταχύς άγαν την μουσικήν, όζων κακὸν τών μασχαλών πατρός Τραγασαίου. οίδ' αίθις αδ σε σκώψεται Παύσων ο παμπόνηρος, Αυσίστρατός τ' έν τάγορα, Χολαργέων δνειδος, ό περιαλουργός τοίς κακοίς, 856 ριγών τε καὶ πεινών αεί πλείν ή τριάκουθ' ήμέρας τοῦ μηνὸς ἐκάστου.

# ΑΝΙΙΡ ΒΟΙΩΤΟΣ. ΔΙΚΑΙΟΠΟΛΙΣ. ΧΟΡΟΣ

ΒΟ. ἴττω Ἡρακλῆς, ἔκαμόν γα τὰν τύλαν κακῶς. 86ο κατάθου τὸ τὰν γλάχων ἀτρέμας, Ἰσμηνία· ὑμὲς δ', ὅσοι Θείβαθεν αἰληταὶ πάρα, τοῖς ὀστίνοις φυσῆτε τὸν πρωκτὸν κυνός.

Δ1. παθ' ες κόρακας. οί σφήκες οἰκ ἀπὸ τῶν θυρῶν; πόθεν προσέπτονθ' οἱ κακῶς ἀπολούμενοι 865 ἐπὶ τὴν θύραν μοι Χαιριδῆς βομβαύλιοι;

848. Babifur. Kanlfur Mein.

849. av Elms. det libri. anokekapuevos Mein.

865. προσέπτονθ', προσέπτανθ' R.

ΒΟ. νεὶ τὸν Ἰόλαον ἐπιχαρίττως γ', ὧ ξένε·
Θείβαθε γὰρ φυσᾶντες ἐξόπισθέ μου
τἄνθεια τᾶς γλάχωνος ἀπέκιξαν χαμαί.
ἀλλ' αἴ τι βοίλει πρίασο τῶν ἐγὼ φέρω 870
τῶν ὀρταλίχων ἡ τῶν τετραπτερυλλίδων.

ΔΙ. ὅ χαῖρε κολλικοφάγε Βοιωτίδιον.
τί φέρεις; ΒΟ. ὅσ΄ ἐστὶν ἀγαθὰ Βοιωτοῖς ἀπλῶς,
ὀρίγανον γλάχω ψιάθως θρυαλλίδας
νάσσας κολοιῶς ἀτταγᾶς φαλαρίδας
τροχίλως κολύμβως. ΔΙ. ὡσπερεὶ χειμὼν ἄρα
ὀρνιθίας ἐς τὴν ἀγορὰν ἐλήλυθας.

BO. καὶ μὰν φέρω χᾶνας λαγὼς ἀλώπεκας σκάλοπας, ἐχίνως αἰελούρως πικτίδας ἐκτίδας ἐνίδριας ἐγχέλιας Κωπαΐδας.

ΔΙ. & τερπνότατον σύ τέμαχος ανθρώποις φέρων, δός μοι προσειπείν, εὶ φέρεις τὰς ἐγχέλεις.

BO. πρέσβειρα πεντήκοντα Κωπάδων κοράν, ἔκβαθι τῷδε κἠπιχάριτται τῷ ξένφ.

ΔΙ. ὧ φιλτάτη σὺ καὶ πάλαι ποθουμένη, 885 ηλθες ποθεινη μὲν τρυγφδικοῖς χοροῖς, φίλη δὲ Μορύχφ. δμῶες ἐξενέγκατε τὴν ἐσχάραν μοι δεῦρο καὶ τὴν ριπίδα. σκέψασθε παῖδες τὴν ἀρίστην ἔγχελυν, ῆκουσαν ἔκτφ μόλις ἔτει ποθουμένην 890 προσείπατ αὐτὴν ὧ τέκν ἄνθρακας δ' ἐγὼ ὑμῖν παρέξω τῆσδε τῆς ξένης χάριν. ἀλλ' ἔσφερ αὐτήν μηδὲ γὰρ θανών ποτε σοῦ χωρὶς εἴην ἐντετευτλιωμένης.

ΒΟ. ἐμοὶ δὲ τιμὰ τᾶσδε πᾶ γενήσεται;
 884. τῷδε vulg. vid. com.
 894. ἐντετευλιωμένης ΒΙ. ΜιΠ. ἐντετευλανωμένης τολος.

- ΔΙ. ἀγορᾶς τέλος ταύτην γέ που δώσεις ἐμοί· ἀλλ' εἴ τι πωλεῖς τῶνδε τῶν ἄλλων λέγε.
- ΒΟ. ἰώνγα ταῦτα πάντα. ΔΙ. φέρε πόσου λέγεις;
   ἡ φορτί' ἔτερ' ἐνθένδ' ἐκεῖσ' ἄξεις;
   ΒΟ. ἰώνγ',
   ὅ τι γ' ἔντ' ᾿Αθάναις, ἐν Βοιωτοῖσιν δὲ μή 900
- ΔΙ. ἀφύας ἄρ' ἄξεις πριάμενος Φαληρικάς ἡ κέραμον. ΒΟ. ἀφύας ἡ κέραμον; ἀλλ' ἔντ' ἐκεῖ· ἀλλ' ὅ τι παρ' ἀμῖν μή 'στι, τᾶδε δ' αὖ πολύ.
- ΔΙ. ἐγῷδα τοίνυν συκοφάντην ἔξαγε
  ὥσπερ κέραμον ἐνδησάμενος. ΒΟ, νεὶ τὼ θιὼ 905
  λάβοιμι μέντᾶν κέρδος ἀγαγὼν καὶ πολύ,
  ἄπερ πίθακον ἀλιτρίας πολλᾶς πλέων.
- ΔΙ. καὶ μὴν ὁδὶ Νίκαρχος ἔρχεται φανῶν.
- ΒΟ. μικκός γα μάκος ούτος. ΔΙ. άλλ' άπαν κακόν.

## NIKAPXOX

ταυτὶ τίιος τὰ φορτί' ἐστί; ΒΟ. τῶδ' ἐμὰ 910 Θείβαθεν, ἴττω Δεις. ΝΙ. ἐγὼ τοίνυν ὁδὶ φαίιω πολέμια ταῦτα. ΒΟ. τί δὲ κακὸν παθὼν ὀρναπετίοισι πόλεμον ἤρα καὶ μάχαν;

920

- ΝΙ. καὶ σέ γε φανῶ πρὸς τοῖσδε. ΒΟ. τί ἀδικείμενος;
- ΝΙ. ἐγὰ φράσω σοι τῶν περιεστώτων χάριν. 915 ἐκ τῶν πολεμίων εἰσάγεις θρυαλλίδα.
- ΔΙ. ἔπειτα φαίνεις δήτα διὰ θρυαλλίδα;
- ΝΙ. αΐτη γάρ ἐμπρήσειεν ᾶν τὸ νεώριον.
- ΔΙ. νεώριον θρυαλλίς; οίμοι τίνι τρόπφ;
- ΝΙ. ἐνθεὶς ἀν ἐς τίφην ἀνὴρ Βοιώτιος
   ἄψας ἀν ἐσπέμψειεν ἐς τὸ νεώριον
   δι' ὑδρορρόας, βορέαν ἐπιτηρήσας μέγαν.

899. Ιώνγ' ΒΙ. Ιώ Elms. Mull. άξεις Ιών; valg. 914. άδικείμενος Elms. άδικειμένος ναίς.

	κείπερ λάβοιτο των νεων το πυρ απαξ	
	σελαγοιντ' άν. ΔΙ. αι νης, ω κάκιστ' άπολούμ	eve
	σελαγοιντ' άν ύπο τίφης τε καὶ θρυαλλίδος;	925
NI.	μαρτίρομαι. ΔΙ. ξυλλάμβαν αὐτοῦ τὸ στό	μa·
	δός μοι φορυτόν, ζυ αὐτὸν ἐνδήσας φέρω.	
	ωσπερ κέραμον, ίνα μή καταγή φορούμενος.	
XO.	ένδησον, ώ βέλτιστε, τώ	
	ξένω καλώς την έμπολήν	930
	ούτως όπως	
	άν μή φέρων κατάξη.	
ΔI.	έμοι μελήσει ταῦτ', ἐπεί	
	τοι καὶ ψοφεί λάλον τι καὶ	
	πυρορραγές	
	κάλλως θεοίσιν έχθρόν.	
XO.	τί χρήσεταί ποτ' αὐτῷ;	935
ΔI.	πάγχρηστους ἄγγος ἔσται,	
	κρατήρ κακών, τριπτήρ δικών,	
	φαίνειν ὑπευθύνους λυχνοῦ-	
	χος καλ κύλιξ	
	τὰ πράγματ' ἐγκυκᾶσθαι.	
XO.	πως δ' αν πεποιθοίη τις αγ-	940
	γείφ τοιούτφ χρώμενος	
	κατ' οἰκίαν	
	τοσόνδ' αελ ψοφούντι;	
$\Delta I$ .	ισχυρόν έστιν ὦγάθ', ὧστ'	
	ούκ αν καταγείη ποτ', εί-	
	περ έκ ποδών	945

924. al νής Γ. al νηθς V. al νήςς R. vid. com. 927. ένδήσας φέρω. ένδήσω φέρες Elms. φέρων Bl. 932. αν μή ..κατάξη. μή καλ...κατάξες Elms. Bl. 944. καταγείη vulg. vid. com. κατωκάρα κρέμαιτο.

ΧΟ. ήδη καλώς έχει σοι.

ΒΟ. μέλλω γέ τοι θερίδδεν.

ΧΟ. ἀλλ', ὧ ξένων βέλτιστε, νῦν θέριζε καὶ τοῦτον λαβὼν πρόσβαλλ' ὅποι βούλει φέρων πρὸς πάντα συκοφάντην.

950

ΔΙ. μόλις γ' ενέδησα τον κακώς ἀπολούμενον. αἴρου λαβών τον κέραμον, & Βοιώτιε.

ΒΟ. ὑπόκυπτε τὰν τύλαν ἰών, Ἰσμήνιχε,

ΔΙ. χώπως κατοίσεις αὐτὸν εὐλαβούμενος. 955 πάντως μὲν οἴσεις οὐδὲν ὑγιές, ἀλλ' ὅμως κὰν τοῦτο κερδάνης ἄγων τὸ φορτίον, εὐδαιμονήσεις συκοφαντών γ' οὕνεκα.

## ΘΕΡΑΠΩΝ ΛΑΜΑΧΟΥ

Δικαιόπολι. ΔΙ. τί ἔστι; τί με βωστρεῖς; ΘΕ. ὅ τι;

έκέλευε Λάμαχός σε ταυτησί δραχμής 960 ές τοὺς Χόας αὐτῷ μεταδοῦναι τῶν κιχλῶν, τριῶν δραχμῶν δ' ἐκέλευε Κωπᾶδ' ἔγχελυν.

ΔΙ. ὁ ποίος ούτος Λάμαχος την έγχελυν;

ΘΕ. ὁ δεινός, ὁ ταλαύρινος, δς τὴν Γοργόια πάλλει κραδαίνων τρεῖς κατασκίους λόφους. 965

ΔΙ. οὐκ ἄν μὰ Δί', εἰ δοίη γέ μοι τὴν ἀσπίδα· ἀλλ' ἐπὶ ταρίχει τοὺς λόφους κραδαινέτω· ἡν δ' ἀπολιγαίνη, τοὺς ἀγορανόμους καλῶ.

> 948. γέ τοι θερ. γε συνθερίδδεν vulg. 949. τοῦτον λαβών. om. Hold. Mull. 955. κατοισεις. μάλ' οίσεις (cum εὐλ.) Hold.

έγω δ' έμαυτώ τόδε λαβών το φορτίον εἴσειμ' ὑπαὶ πτερύγων κιχλάν καὶ κοψίχων. 970

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είδες ω είδες, ω πάσα πόλι, τον φρόνιμον ἄνδρα, τον ὑπέρσοφον,

οί' έχει σπεισάμενος έμπορικά χρήματα διεμπολάν,

δυ τὰ μὲυ ἐν οἰκία χρήσιμα, τὰ δ' αὐ πρέπει χλιαρὰ, κατεσθίειν. 975

αὐτόματα πάντ' ἀγαθὰ τῷδέ γε πορίζεται.
οὐδέποτ' ἐγὼ Πόλεμον οἴκαδ' ὑποδέξομαι,
οὐδὲ παρ' ἐμοί ποτε τὸν 'Αρμόδιον ἄσεται 98ο
ξυγκατακλινείς, ὅτι παροινικὸς ἀνὴρ ἔφυ,
ὅστις ἐπὶ πάντ' ἀγάθ' ἔχοντας ἐπικωμάσας
εἰργάσατο πάντα κακά, κἀνέτρεπε κὰξέχει
κἀμάχετο, καὶ προσέτι πολλὰ προκαλουμένου,
πῖνε κατάκεισο λαβὲ τήνδε φιλοτησίαν, 985
τὰς χάρακας ἦπτε πολὺ μᾶλλον ἔτι τῷ πυρί,
ἐξέχει θ' ἡμῶν βία τὸν οἶνον ἐκ τῶν ἀμπέλων.
οὐτοσὶ δ' ἐπτέρωταί τ' ἐπὶ τὸ δεῖπνον ἅμα καὶ
μεγάλα δὴ φρονεῖ,

τοῦ βίου δ' ἐξέβαλε δεῖγμα τάδε τὰ πτερὰ πρὸ τῶν θυρῶν.

δ Κύπριδι τῆ καλῆ καὶ Χάρισι ταῖς φιλαῖς ξύντροφε (Διαλλαγή,

ώς καλον έχουσα το πρόσωπον ἄρ' ἐλάνθανες, 990 . πῶς ἃν ἐμὲ καὶ σέ τις Έρως ξυναγάγοι λαβὼν, ὥσπερ ὁ γεγραμμένος ἔχων στέφανον ἀιθέμων;

988. ETTEPUTALT. Vid. com.

tend.

η πάνυ γερόντιον ἴσως νενόμικάς με σύ;

αλλά σε λαβων τρία δοκω γ' αν έτι προσβαλείν·
πρωτα μεν αν αμπελίδος όρχον ελάσαι μακρόν.
είτα παρα τόνδε νέα μοσχίδια στκίδων, 996
καὶ τὸ τρίτον ημερίδος όρχον, ὁ γέρων ὁδί,
καὶ περὶ τὸ χωρίον ἐλάδας ἄπαν ἐν κύκλω,
ωστ ἀλείφεσθαί σ' ἀπ' αὐτων κάμε ταῖς νουμηνιαις.

# ΚΗΡΥΞ. ΔΙΚΑΙΟΠΟΛΙΣ. ΧΟΡΟΣ

- ΚΗ, ἀκούετε λεώ· κατά τὰ πάτρια τοὺς χόας 1000 πίνειν ὑπὸ τῆς σάλπιγγος· δς δ' ἃν ἐκπίῃ πρώτιστος, ἀσκὸν Κτησιφῶντος λήψεται.
- ΔΙ. ὦ παίδες, ὧ γυναίκες, οὖκ ἡκούσατε;
  τί δρᾶτε; τοῦ κήρυκος οὖκ ἀκούετε;
  ἀναβράττετ' ἐξοπτᾶτε τρέπετ' ἀφέλκετε 1005
  τὰ λαγῷα ταχέως, τοὺς στεφάνους ἀνείρετε.
  φέρε τοὺς ὀβελίσκους, ἵν' ἀναπείρω τὰς κίχλας.
- ΧΟ, ζηλῶ σε τῆς εὐβουλίας, μᾶλλου δὲ τῆς εὐωχίας ἄνθρωπε τῆς παρούσης.
- ΔΙ. τί δητ' ἐπειδὰν τὰς κίχλας ὀπτωμένας ἴδητε;
- ΧΟ, ολμαί σε καλ τοῦτ' εὖ λέγειν. ΔΙ, τὸ πῦρ ὑποσκαλενε.
- ΧΟ, ἤκουσας ὡς μαγειρικῶς
   κομψῶς τε καὶ δειπνητικῶς
   αὑτῷ διακονεῖται;

997. δρχον P Mein. Mu.l. Rib. κλάδον R al. κάδον Γ. όσχον Lims. Dind. όζον Bergk.

## ΤΕΩΡΓΟΣ

οίμοι τάλας. ΔΙ. ω Ἡράκλεις τίς ούτοσί;

ΓΕ. άνηρ κακοδαίμων. ΔΙ. κατά σεαυτόν τυν τρέπου.

ΓΕ. ω φίλτατε, σπονδαὶ γάρ είσι σοὶ μόνω, 1020 μέτρησον εἰρήνης τί μοι, κάν πέντ' ἔτη.

ΔΙ. τίδ' ἔπαθες; ΓΕ. Επετρίβην ἀπολέσας τω βόε.

ΔΙ. πόθεν; ΓΕ. ἀπό Φυλής έλαβον οί Βοιώτιοι.

ΔΙ. ῶ τρισκακόδαιμον, εἶτα λευκὸν ἀμπέχει;

ΓΕ. καὶ ταῦτα μέντοι νὴ Δι' ὅπερ μ' ἐτρεφέτην ΄ 1025 ἐν πᾶσι βολίτοις. ΔΙ. εἶτα νυνὶ τοῦ δέει;

ΓΕ. ἀπόλωλα τὼφθαλμὼ δακρύων τὼ βόε.
, ἀλλ' εἴ τι κήδει Δερκέτου Φυλασίου,
ὑπάλειψον εἰρήνη με τὼφθαλμὼ ταχύ.

ΔΙ. αλλ' ω πονήρ' οὐ δημοσιεύων τυγχάνω. 1030

ΓΕ. ἴθ' ἀντιβολῶ σ', ἢν πως κομίσωμαι τὼ βόε.

ΔΙ. οὐκ ἔστιν, ἀλλὰ κλᾶε πρὸς τοὺς Πιττάλου.

ΓΕ. σὺ δ' ἀλλά μοι σταλαγμὸν εἰρήνης ἕνα ἐς τὸν καλαμίσκον ἐνστάλαξον τουτονί.

ΔΙ. οὐδ' ᾶν στριβιλικίγξ - άλλ' ἀπιὼν οἴμωζέ ποι.

ΓΕ. οίμοι κακοδαίμων τοίν γεωργοία βοιδίοιν. 1036

ΧΟ. άνηρ ενηύρηκεν τι ταίς απονδαίσιν ήδύ, κούκ εοικεν οὐδενὶ μεταδώσειν.

ΔΙ. κατάχει σὺ τῆς χορδῆς τὸ μέλι· τὰς σηπίας

ΧΟ. ήκουσας δρθιασμάτων; ΔΙ. δπτάτε τάγχέλεια.

ΧΟ. ἀποκτενεῖς λιμῷ 'μὲ καὶ τοὺς γείτονας κνίση τε καὶ φωνῆ τοιαῦτα λάσκων,

ΔΙ. όπτατε ταυτί και καλώς ξανθίζετε.

1021, kay, Keis Elma.

#### ΠΑΡΑΝΥΜΦΟΣ

Δικαιόπολι Δικαιόπολι. ΔΙ. τίς ούτοσί;

ΠΑ. ἔπεμψέ τίς σοι νυμφίος ταυτὶ κρέα ἐκ τῶν γάμων. ΔΙ. καλῶς γε ποιῶν, ὅστις ἦν. 1050

ΠΑ. ἐκέλευε δ' ἐγχέαι σε τῶν κρεῶν χάριν ἐς τὸν ἀλάβαστον κύαθον εἰρήνης ἕνα.

ΔΙ. ἀπόφερ ἀπόφερε τὰ κρέα καὶ μή μοι δίδου, ώς οὐκ ἄν ἐγχέαιμι χιλιῶν δραχμῶν. 1055 ἀλλ' αὐτηὶ τίς ἔστιν; ΙΙΑ. ἡ νυμφεύτρια δεῖται παρὰ τῆς νύμφης τι σοὶ λέξαι μόνφ.

ΔΙ. φέρε δὴ τί σὺ λέγεις; ὡς γελοῖον ὦ θεοὶ
τὸ δέημα τῆς νύμφης δ δεῖταί μου σφόδρα.
φέρε δεῦρο τὰς σπονδάς, Γν' αὐτῆ δῶ μόνη, 1061
ότιὴ γυνή 'στι τοῦ πολέμου τ' οὐκ ἀξία.
ὕπεχ' ὧδε δεῦρο τοὐξάλειπτρον, ὧ γύναι.
ἀπόφερε τὰς σπονδάς. φέρε τὴν οἰνήρυσιν,
Γν' οἶνον ἐγχέω λαβὼν ἐς τοὺς χόας.

ΧΟ. καὶ μὴν όδί τις τὰς ὀφρῦς ἀνεσπακώς ὤσπερ τι δεινὸν ἀγγελῶν ἐπείγεται.

1070

# KHPYZ

ιω πόνοι τε και μάχαι και Λάμαχοι.

# **AAMAXO**

τίς ἀμφὶ χαλκοφάλαρα δώματα κτυπεί;
ΚΗ. ἰέναι σ' ἐκέλευον οἱ στρατηγοὶ τήμερον
ταχέως λαβόντα τοὺς λόχους καὶ τοὺς λόφους·
κἄπειτα τηρείν νιφόμενον τὰς ἐσβολάς. 1075
ὑπὸ τοὺς Χόας γὰρ καὶ Χύτρους αὐτοῖσί τις
ἤγγειλε ληστὰς ἐμβαλείν βοιωτίους.
1062. ἀξια vulg. αἰτία Μαὶλ. 2λ.

ΛΑ. ὶὰ στρατηγοὶ πλείουες ἡ βελτίουες.
οὐ δεινὰ μὴ 'ξεῖναί με μηδ' ἐορτάσαι;

Δ1. ιω στράτευμα πολεμολαμαχαϊκόν.

1080

ΛΑ. οίμοι κακοδαίμων, καταγελάς ήδη σύ μου;

ΔΙ. βούλει μάχεσθαι Γηρυόνη τετραπτίλω;

ΛA. alaî,

οίαν ὁ κήρυξ ἀγγελίαν ἤγγειλέ μοι.

ΔΙ. αἰαῖ, τίνα δ' αὖ μοι προστρέχει τις άγγελῶν;

ΚΗ. Δικαιόπολι. ΔΙ. τί ἔστιν; ΚΗ. ἐπὶ δεῖπνον

βάδιζε την κίστην λαβών και του χοα.

ό τοῦ Διονύσου γάρ σ' ἱερεὺς μεταπέμπεται.

ἀλλ' ἐγκόνει' δειπνεῖν κατακωλύεις πάλαι.

τὰ δ' ἄλλα πάντ' ἐστὶν παρεσκευασμένα,

κλίναι τράπεζαι προσκεφάλαια στρώματα 1090

στέφανοι μύρον τραγήμαθ', αὐλητρὶς πάρα,

ἄμυλοι πλακοῦντες σησαμοῦντες ἴτρια,

ὀρχηστρίδες, τὰ φίλταθ' 'Αρμοδίου, καλαί.

ἀλλ' ὡς τάχιστα σπεῦδε. ΛΑ. κακοδαίμων ἐγώ.

ΔΙ. καὶ γὰρ σὰ μεγάλην ἐπεγράφου τὴν Γοργόνα. 1095 Εύγκληε, καὶ δεῦπνόν τις ἐνσκευαζέτω.

ΛΑ. παῖ παῖ, φέρ' ἔξω δεῦρο τὸν γύλιον ἐμοί.

ΔΙ. παῖ παῖ, φέρ' ἔξω δεῦρο τὴν κίστην ἐμοί.

ΛΑ. ἄλας θυμίτας οίσε, παῖ, καὶ κρόμμυα.

ΔΙ. ἐμοὶ δὲ τεμάχη· κρομμύοις γὰρ ἄχθομαι. 1100

ΛΑ. θρίου ταρίχους οίσε δεύρο, παῖ, σαπρού.

ΔΙ. κάμοι σύ δημοῦ θρίου οπτήσω δ' έκει.

ΛΑ. ἔνεγκε δεύρο τὰ πτερὰ τὰ κ τοῦ κράιους.

ΔΙ. ἐμοὶ δὲ τὰς φάττας γε φέρε καὶ τὰς κίχλας.

ΛΑ. καλόν γε καὶ λευκόν τὸ τῆς στρουθοῦ πτερόν. 1105

ΔΙ. καλόν γε καὶ ξανθὸν τὸ τῆς φάττης κρέας.

$\Lambda A$ .	Tà	λοφείου	έξένεγκε	τῶν	τριών	λόφων.
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ΔΙ. κάμοὶ λεκάνιον των λαγώων δὸς κρεών.

ΛΑ. άλλ' ή τριχόβρωτες τούς λόφους μου κατέφαγου.

ΔΙ. άλλ' ή πρό δείπνου την μίμαρκυν κατέδομαι. 1110

ΛΛ. ὦνθρωπε, παῦσαι καταγελῶν μου τῶν ὅπλων.

ΔΙ. ὦνθρωπε, βούλει μὴ βλέπειν ἐς τὰς κίχλας;

ΑΑ. ὧνθρωπε, βούλει μὴ προσαγορεύειν ἐμέ;

ΔΙ. οὔκ, ἀλλ' ἐγὼ χὼ παῖς ἐρίζομεν πάλαι. βούλει περιδόσθαι κἀπιτρέψαι Λαμάχω, 1115 πότερον ἀκρίδες ἥδιόν ἐστιν ἡ κίχλαι;

ΛΑ. οιμ' ώς ύβριζεις. ΔΙ. τὰς ἀκρίδας κρίνει πολύ.

ΛΑ. παῖ παῖ, καθελών μοι τὸ δόρυ δεῦρ' ἔξω φέρε.

ΔΙ. παι παι, σὺ δ' ἀφελὼν δεῦρο τὴν χορδὴν φέρε.

ΛΑ. φέρε τοῦ δόρατος ἀφελκύσωμαι τοὔλυτρου· 1120 έχ', ἀντέχου, παῖ.  $\Delta I$ . καὶ σύ, παῖ, τοῦδ' ἀντέχου.

ΛΑ. τούς κιλλίβαντας οίσε, παῖ, τῆς ἀσπίδος.

ΔΙ. καὶ τῆς ἐμῆς τοὺς κριβανίτας ἔκφερε.

ΛΑ. φέρε δεῦρο γοργόνωτον ἀσπιδος κύκλον.

ΔΙ. κάμοὶ πλακούντος τυρόνωτον δὸς κύκλου. 1125

ΛΛ. ταῦτ' οὐ κατάγελώς ἐστιν ἀνθρώποις πλατύς;

ΔΙ. ταθτ' οὐ πλακοθς δῆτ' ἐστὶν ἀνθρώποις γλυκύς;

ΛΑ. κατάχει σύ, παῖ, τοὕλαιον. ἐν τῷ χαλκίῷ ἐνορῶ γέροντα δειλίας φευξούμενον.

ΔΙ. κατάχει σὺ τὸ μέλι. κάνθάδ' εὕδηλος γέρων 1130 κλάειν κελεύων Λάμαχον τὸν Γοργάσου.

1135

ΛΑ. φέρε δεύρο, παϊ, θώρακα πολεμιστήριον.

ΔΙ. έξαιρε, παῖ, θώρακα κάμοὶ τὸν χόα.

ΑΑ. ἐν τῷδε πρὸς τοὺς πολεμίους θωρήξομαι.

1130. εβδηλος libri. Ενδηλος Mein. Hold.

ΔΙ. ἐν τῷδε πρὸς τοὺς συμπότας θωρήξομαι.
1125. τυρόνωτον libri. γυρόνωτον (Plat.) Mein. Hold.

ΑΑ. τὰ στρώματ, ο παῖ, δησου ἐκ της ἀσπίδος.

τὸ δείπνον, ω παί, δήσον έκ τής κιστίδος.  $\Delta I$ .

ΛΑ. ἐγὰ δ΄ ἐμαυτῷ τὸν γύλιον οἴσω λαβών.

ΔΙ. εγώ δε θοιμάτιον λαβών εξέρχομαι.

ΛΑ, την ἀσπίδ' αίρου καὶ βάδιζ' ώ παῖ, λαβών. νίφει. βαβαιάξ χειμέρια τὰ πράγματα.

αίρου το δείπνον' συμποτικά τὰ πράγματα.  $\Delta I$ .

## $XOPO\Sigma$

ίτε δή χαίρουτες έπλ στρατιάν. ώς ανομοίαν έρχεσθου όδόν. τω μέν πίνειν στεφανωσαμένω, 1145 σοὶ δὲ ριγῶν καὶ προφυλάττειν. 'Αντίμαχον τὸν Ψακάδος τὸν μέλεον τῶν μελέων ποιητήν, είπειν ώς μεν άπλω λόγω, κακώς εξολέσειεν ο Ζεύς. 1151

ος γ' έμὲ τὸν τλήμονα Λήναια χορηγῶν ἀπέλυσ' άδειπνον.

δν έτ' επίδοιμι τευθίδος δεόμενον, ή δ' ώπτημένη σίζουσα πάραλος έπλ τραπέζη κειμένη οκέλλοι κάτα μέλλοντος λαβείν αὐτοῦ κύων άρπάσασα φεύγοι. τούτο μέν αὐτῷ κακὸν εν' κἆθ' ετερου νυκτερινὸν γένοιτα. årr.

ήπιαλών γαρ οίκαδ' έξ ίππασίας βαδίζων, είτα κατάξειέ τις αὐτοῦ μεθύων τὴν κεφαλὴν 'Ορέστης

μαινόμενος ο δε λίθου λαβείν

1149. Tou médeou Elms. al. Tou Eurypaph edd. vett-

βουλόμενος ἐν σκότφ λάβοι τἢ χειρὶ πέλεθον· 1170 ἐπάξειεν δ' ἔχων τὸν μάρμαρον, κἄπειθ' ἀμαρτὼν βάλοι Κρατίνον.

# ΘΕΡΑΠΏΝ ΛΑΜΑΧΟΥ. ΛΑΜΑΧΟΣ. ΔΙΚΑΙΟΠΟΛΊΣ. ΧΟΡΟΣ

ΘΕ. ω δμώες οι κατ' ολκόν έστε Λαμάχου, ύδωρ ύδωρ εν χυτριδίω θερμαίνετε. 1175 όθόνια, κηρωτήν παρασκευάζετε, ξρι' οίσυπηρά, λαμπάδιον περί τὸ σφυρόν. άνηρ τέτρωται χάρακι διαπηδών τάφρον, καὶ τὸ σφυρὸν παλίνορρον εξεκόκκισεν, καὶ τῆς κεφαλῆς κατέαγε περὶ λίθον πεσών, 1180 καλ Γοργόν' έξήγειρεν έκ της ασπίδος. πτίλου δὲ τὸ μέγα κομπολακύθου πεσου πρός ταίς πέτραισι, δεινόν έξηύδα μέλος. ὧ κλεινου όμμα νθυ πανύστατόν σ' ίδων λείπω φάος τόδ', οὐκέτ' οὐδέν εἰμ' ἐγώ. 1185 τοσαθτα λέξας είς ύδρορρόαν πεσών ανίσταταί τε καὶ ξυναντά δραπέταις ληστάς έλαύνων καί κατασπέρχων δορί. όδι δὲ καὐτός. ἀλλ' ἄνοιγε τὴν θύραν. ΛΑ, ἀτταταῖ ἀτταταῖ 1190

άτταται άτταται 1190
στυγερά τάδε γε κρυερά πάθεα.
τάλας έγὼ
διόλλυμαι δορὸς ὑπὸ πολεμίου τυπείς.
ἐκείνο δ' αἰακτὸν ἄν γένοιτο, 1195
Δικαιόπολις εἴ μ' ἴδοι τετρωμένον
κἆτ' ἐγχάνοι ταῖς ἐμαῖς τύχαισιν.

- ΔΙ. ἀτταταῖ ἀτταταῖ φιλήσατόν με μαλθακῶς, ὧ χρυσίω, 1200
- ΛΑ. ω συμφορά τάλαινα των έμων κακών.
- ΔΙ. τὸν γὰρ χόα πρώτος ἐκπέπωκα.
- ΛΑ. ὶὼ ὶὼ τραυμάτων ἐπωδύνων.
- ΔΙ. ὶὴ ὶὴ χαῖρε, Λαμαχίππιον.
- ΛΑ. στυγερός έγώ. ΔΙ. τί με σὺ κυνεῖς;
- ΛΑ. μογερός έγώ. ΔΙ. τί με σὺ δάκνεις;
- ΛΑ. τάλας έγω ξυμβολής βαρείας.
- ΔΙ. τοις Χουσί τίς ξυμβολάς σ' έπραττευ;
- ΛΑ. Ιω ίω παιάν ίω παιάν ίω.
- ΔΙ. άλλ' οὐχὶ νυνὶ τήμερον παιώνια.
- ΛΑ. θύραζέ μ' έξενέγκατ' ές τοῦ Πιττάλου παιωνίαισι χερσίν.
- ΔΙ. ως τοὺς κριτάς μ' ἐκφέρετε· ποῦ 'στιν ὁ βασιλεύς;
  ἐπόδοτέ μοι τὸν ἀσκόν.
- ΛΑ. λόγχη τις εμπέπηγέ μοι δι' δστέων δδυρτά.
- ΔΙ. όρᾶτε τουτονί κενόν. τήνελλα καλλίνικος.
- ΧΟ. τήνελλα δητ', είπερ καλείς γ', ώ πρέσβυ, καλλί-
- ΔΙ. καὶ πρός γ' ἄκρατον ἐγχέας ἄμυστιν ἐξέλαψα.
- ΧΟ. τήνελλά νυν ω γεννάδα. χώρει λαβών τον ασκόν.
- ΔΙ. ἔπεσθέ νυν ἄδοντες ώ τήνελλα καλλίνικος. 1231
- ΧΟ. ἀλλ' ἐψόμεσθα σὴν χάριν τήνελλα καλλίνικον ἄδοντες σὲ καὶ τὸν ἀσκόν.

#### NOTES ON THE ARGUMENTS

#### Τ

- 15. ἐπιφερομένων—see 557 sq., where part of the chorus assail Lamachus, who is defended and protected by the others.
- 17. διέλκυσμου—'quarrel, dispute.' κατενεχθείς—'overborne,' or 'carned away': Blaydes suggests κατελεγχθείς, 'convinced.'
- 18. πρὸς τοὺς δικαστάς—'aut δικαστάς et κριτάς confudit grammaticus, aut θεατάς vel ἀκροατάς scripsit' (Elms.).
- 22. γόνον—'stock, produce': γόμον, 'load,' is suggested by Blaydes.
- 32. κακώς ἀπαλλάττων—'coming off badly': Aesch. Ag. 1289, οθτως ἀπαλλάσσουσω.
- 33. ἀναλύων—does this mean 'coming home,' as in Luc. xii. 36? Blaydes suggests μεθύων.
- το δε δράμα κ.τ.λ.—similar commendations are given in the Arguments of other plays; e.g. the Knights, το δε δράμα των άγαν καλώς πεποιημένων: the Frogs, το δε δράμα των εῦ πάνο και φιλοπόνως πεποιημένων.
- 35. ἐπὶ Εὐθυδήμου ἄρχοντος—the manuscripts have ἐπ' Εὐθυμένους, an obvious error derived from line 67. Another reading is Εὐθύνου.

#### Η

7-10. αὐτὸ τὸ ψήφισμα κακῶν—these lines are not in R and are bracketed by many editors. As they stand they are hardly intelligible. οὐκ τῶν Δακῶνων seems to be the subject, but it can scarcely bear the sense of 'the Laconian champion.' With Bergk's conjecture κού τὸν Λάκωνα we get a sort of sense as follows: 'He (the poet) declares that the Megarian decree alone and Pericles, not the Laconians, have caused this state of things, and that a truce (will be) deliverance from the present troubles.'

## NOTES

### Prologue, lines 1-203

The scene represents the Pnyx on the morning of the regular assembly. Dicaeopolis, an Atherian countryman, has arrived early at the place of meeting; but there is no one present, even the officials are behind their time. So Dicaeopolis begins to grumble to himself about his wrongs and troubles, and the general indifference to the interests of the state.

- 1. ὅσα . βαιά—cognate or adverbial accusative: cf. Thuc. iii. 40, 3, βραχέα ἡσθεῖσα: so πολλά χαίρειν (200), and similar instances in these opening lines. For δίδηγμαι cf. Vesp. 374, δακείν τὴν καρδίαν: Nub. 1369, τὸν θυμὸν δακών: see 325. Here the passive takes also the accusative of relation καρδίαν, as ηθφράνθην takes κέαρ in line 5.
- 2. βaid—a good poetical word, not found in Homer or in classical prose. τέτταρα—'some (three or) four': so 'quattro' or 'due' in modern Italian and 'dos' in Spanish of an indefinitely small number (C).
- 3. ψαμμακοσιογάργαρα—'sand-beap-hundredfold.' The termination -κόσια, denoting hundreds, is combined with ψάμμος (sand) and γάργαρα (heaps, lots), a word quoted from fragments of Aristomenes and other poets. γαργαίρω, to swarm, is found in the Lemniae of Aristophanes (Frag. 327).

άνδρων έπακτών πασ' έγάργαιρ' έστία:

and in fragments of Cratinus and others. The scholast cites from Eupolis ἀριθμεῖν θεατὰς ψαμμακοσίους, and one or two more instances of this word occur in Athenaeus.

4. φέρ' ίδω, τί δ' ήσθην—' Well, what was it then' etc.: Av. 812, φέρ' ίδω, τί δ' ήμῶν τοῦνομ' ἔσται τῷ πόλει; Here δέ resumes the train of thought, and suggests a slight opposition to ἀδυνήθην which goes before see Lid. and Scott δέ 1. 5, 11. 2. Elmsley would omit δ', comparing

Nub. 21, φέρ' ίδω, τι δφείλω; etc. χαιρηδόνος—a word apparently coined by Aristophanes, on the analogy of ἀλγηδών, ἀχθηδων. It is an intentionally pedantic word, in the style of Euripides, says Dr Merry; we may render it 'delectation.'

- 6. τοις πέντε—Cleon had received five talents from some of the islands dependent on Athens, as a bribe to get their imposts reduced. The scholast discusses the matter as a historical fact, though it is no where else recorded: Van Leeuwen however supposes that the allusion is to an incident in the play of the *Babylonians*; and this seems likely, as Dicaeopolis is talking about his play-going experiences.

   'disgorged': so Eq. 1148. An offensive word is intentionally used to fit Cleon's harpy-like voracity.
- 7. ἐγανώθην—cf. γάνος, γάνυμαι and similar words denoting brightness and so gladness and joy. We have γεγανωμένος in this sense Plat. Κερ. 411 A. τοὺς ἱππέας the knights (Solon's second class of citizens) took up the matter against Cleon, but only insisted on his giving up the bribe.

8. **ἄξιον γὰρ Ἑλλάδι**— ''twas meet for Greece to do.' This is from the *Telephus* of Europ.des, the full line according to the scholast being κακῶς δλοιτ' ἀν (όλοιατ'): ἄξιον γὰρ Ἑλλάδι.

We shall hear more of the *Telephus* later on. For αξιος with the dative cf. 205: and especially Neil on Eq. 616, αξιόν γε πασίν έσταν έπολολιξαι: see also 633.

- 9. at 'as a set off, to balance it' (Green). τραγφδικόν—'a tragic woe'; sad, and connected with the theatre: 'consulto posuit vocem ambiguam' (Muller).
- 10.  $\delta \tau \epsilon \delta \eta so 16$ , 535 etc.: cf.  $\epsilon \pi \epsilon \epsilon \delta \eta$ .  $\epsilon \kappa \chi \eta \nu \eta \eta \ (= \epsilon a)$  is the Attic termination of the 1st person pluperfect.  $\epsilon \delta \nu A \delta \kappa \chi \nu \lambda \delta \nu \epsilon$  i.e. a play of his. So  $\delta \Sigma \kappa \kappa \rho \delta \tau \eta s$  is the character in the Platonic dialogues, not the historic Socrates; see Cope on Ar. Rhet. 1. 9, 30. So highly did the Athenians honour Aeschylus that they passed, it is said, a decree allowing his plays to be reproduced after his death: suntque eo modo multi coronati, Quint. x. 1, 66. According to Suidas, Euphorian won four prizes with his father's posthumous plays.
- 11. ὁ δ' ἀνεῖπεν—sc. the proper official, the herald: Thuc ii. 2, 5, ἀνεῖπεν ὁ κῆρυξ with infinitive. We are reminded of the omission of the subject with κηρύσσω, σαλπίζω, σημαίνω, e.g. Εκεί. 685, καὶ κηρύξει ... ἀκολουθείν. Θέογνι—not the gnomic and elegiac poet of Megara, who belongs to the 6th century, but a poor tragic poet, called Xιών according to the scholiast because his poetry was as chilling as snow:

- cf. 140: Thesm. 170, Θέογνις ψυχρός ῶν ψυχρῶς ποιεί. He was said to have been one of the Thirty; 'but the text of Xenophon (Hell. 11. 3, 2), who is doubtless the sole authority for the statement, has Θεογένης' (C).
- 12 πῶς τοῦτ' πῶς δοκεῖς; 'you can't think how,' lit. 'how think you?' is common, e.g. line 24: so πόσον δοκεῖς; Eccl. 399: πῶς οξει σφόδρα; Ran 53. Here the phrase is generally taken as the same though the words are separated: τοῦτο σεῖσαι has however been conjectured. ἔσεισε ἐλύπησε (schol.), it is a strong expression, 'think what a shock this was to my poor heart.'
- 13. In Mórx $\varphi$  after Moschus, apparently a poor harp-player, as one scholast says. Another reading is  $\ell\pi l$   $\mu b\sigma\chi\varphi$ , for (the prize of) a calf, as another scholast explains. This interpretation was adopted by Bentley; but we know of no such prize, and if the prize were meant we should expect  $\ell\pi l$   $\tau\varphi$   $\mu o\sigma\chi\varphi$ . Moreover this reading misses the pleasant surprise of a poor player being followed by a favourite, which so well answers to the disappointment of Theognis for Aeschylus (Green). C. however points out that the existence of a harper called Moschus is only vouched for by one scholast who perhaps invented 1 im to explain the passage, and does not believe that  $\ell\pi l$  with the dative of a person can mean 'after.' He says, 'the meaning to me seems simply this: Dexitheus dressed as a rustic came upon the stage mounted on a young bull or heifer.'
- 14. Δεξίθεος—one scholiast says ἄριστος κιθαρφδός καὶ πυθιονίκης but nothing is known about him, Bοιώτιον sc. μέλος οτ νύμον: Soph. Fr. 858, ὅταν τις άδη τὸν Βοιώτιον νόμον. The 'Bocotian a.r.,' according to the scholiast, was invented by Terpander: it began slowly and gently and increased in vehemence. Some commentators see a jest in the 'calf' and the 'ox-land tune,' but it is hard to catch.
- 15. διεστράφην 'got a squint' or 'put my neck out': Eq 175, εὐδαιμονήσω δ' εἰ διαστραφήσομαι; 'de oculis aut collo aut ano quovis membro usurpatur διαστρέφεσθαι' (Blaydes). άπέθανον shows that eager expectation is not meant, but extreme discomfort.
- 16. παρέκυψε—'peeped in': Pac. 982, της αύλειας παρακύπτουσι, of women who 'peep out' of the court-yard door: cf. Vesp. 178, where Green says 'it is probable that παρέκεψεν is used of the sly peeping of Chaeris before entrance; not of any stooping posture afterwards, as the scholast takes it.' Chaeris is mentioned as a bad flate-player Pac. 941 etc: cf. 866. (π) τον δρθιον = 'to sing the national anthem,' as Neil suggests on Eq. 1279. It was ascribed to Terpander, and was an inspiring strain which every one would know.

- 17. ἐξ ὅτου 'γω ρύπτομαι—'since my washing days began.'
  Hence comes in κονίας, lye, or an alkali-powder used as soap, which, says Dicaeopolis, got into his eyes with frowning. Thus each line ends with comic bathos in spite of the speaker's serious indignation.
- 18. κυρίας ἐκκλησίας—usual.y explained as the ordinary or regular assembly, the extraordinary being called σύηκλητος (Dem. de Cor. 238, 27). C. holds that the κυρία, whether special or not, dealt with state affairs and imperial policy; the other regular (ἔννομοι) meetings with municipal matters. The scholast on this passage says that there were three meetings every month each called κυρία: while Aristotle (Κερ. Ath. ch. 43, 3) speaks of four regular meetings in each prytany, of which only the first was the κυρία. No doubt alterations were made from time to time: see Dict. Ant. exclesia.
- 21. ἐν ἀγορά λαλοῦσι Nub. 1003, στωμολλων κατὰ την ἀγοράν. So early had the Athenians gained a name for chattering and questioning: cf. Dem. Phil. 1. 43 § 10: Act. Apost. xvii. 21. ἀγορά is often used without the article like other words which become as it were proper names.
- 22. τὸ σχοινίον κ.τ.λ. two officials swept the άγορά with a rope dipped in vermilion dye (μιλτος), and absentees thus marked were fined: cf. Eccl. 378,

καί δήτα πολύν ή μίλτος, ω Ζευ φίλτατε, γέλων παρέσχεν ήν προσέρραινον κυκλώ.

Wares too, the scholast tells us, which might attract lolterers were removed, and streets blocked which did not lead to the assembly.

- 23. ἀωρίαν—used adverbially, I ke τήν ὥραν ' in good time' quoted from Lucian. So we have καιρὸν δ' ἐφήκεις, Soph. Aj. 34, and the adverbial use of ἀκμήν. εἶτα δ'—after a participle like ἤκοντες, εἶτα with a verb is common, but εἶτα δέ is quite unusual. If the reading be right it must be supported by passages with κᾶτα c g. Eq. 391, where Neil says 'κᾶτα is a stronger form of εἶτα indignantis.' Meineke adopts Dobree's suggestion διωστιοῦνται: see however 42, and Plut. 330.
- 75. περί πρώτου ξύλου—the seats in the Phyx were cut out of the rock, but there were doubtless wooden benches as well: cf. 42 and 12 p. 90, ην μη 'πι του πρώτου καθίζηται ξώλου.
- 26. καταρρέοντες Paley suggests 'streaming down the slope of the hill.' εἰρήνη δ'—reading the line aloud we see that all its force and emphasis fall on 'Peace,' the word which gives the key note of the whole passage

- 27. προτιμώσ'— care': Ran. 655, έπεὶ προτιμίζε γ' οὐδέν; Plut. 883, οὐδὲν προτιμώ σου.
  - 29. yourar returning on each occasion, coming regularly.
- 30. σκορδινώμαι—'stretch and gape': sometimes denoting more actual uneasiness, as Ran. 92, τί σκορδινά και δυσφορείε; so Vesp. 642.
- 31. γράφω—scratch and scribble on the ground with my stick. Mitchell indeed takes γράφω to mean that Dicaeopolis begins to draw up a bill or speech; but the idea is rather fidgeting with impatience. παρατίλλομαι—pull hairs out of my nostrils. λογίζομαι—perhaps count up my debts or losses.
- 32. αποβλέπων—'with longing looks.' See Thucydides ii. 14—17 for the miseries of the country people who during the war were cooped up within the city walls.
- 33. στυγών μέν—a tragic line, according to commentators, as is shown by the non-Attic verb στυγώ, but of unknown origin. τὸν ἐμὸν δήμον—Acharnae may be meant, as it produced charcoal; but see 406.
- 34. πρίω—Attic for πρίασο (870). ἐπριάμην is used as the norist of ἀνέομαι.
- 35.  $\hat{\eta}\delta\epsilon\iota \hat{\eta}\delta\eta$  ( $-\hat{\eta}\delta\epsilon\alpha$ ),  $\hat{\eta}\delta\epsilon\sigma\theta\alpha$ ,  $\hat{\eta}\delta\epsilon\iota(\nu)$  ( $-\hat{\eta}\delta\epsilon\epsilon$ ) are the Attic forms of the singular.
- 36. χώ πρίων—a sort of comic participle from the preceding πρίω. There is of course a pun on πρίων(i) a saw or sawyer (partop.); 'that cursed by-word Bay' or 'that grating old saw Buy' (Green).
- 37. ἀτεχνῶς 'simply, absolutely,' with παρεσκευασμένος. Dicaeopolis means to stop proceedings in spite of any pains or penalties which he may incur.
- 38. **βοᾶν κ.τ.λ.**—here Mitchell has a long illustrative note on the methods of obstruction in the assembly and the baneful effects of popular clamour and abuse.

λοιδορείν—with accusative 'to rail at,' or sometimes merely 'rebuke.' λοιδορείσθαι with dative frequently but not always implies mutual railing and squabbling. τους ρήτορας—the regular speakers, οι λέγοντες (Pac. 635: Dem. Meid. 575 § 189): no official position however is necessarily implied, but merely general prominence in the assembly.

- 39. wepf—note the hiatus before a vowel which would not be admissible in tragedy.
- 40. άλλά...γάρ—each word has its own force, γάρ explaining the hreak off after άλλά: so 175: Soph. Ant. 155, άλλ όδε γάρ δη βασιλεύς χώρας. μεσημβρινοί —when it is now mid-day: Vesp. 774, κόν έγρο

μεσημβρινδε, 'if you don't get up till noon.' οὐτού-pointing to them, so often in this play.

41. τοῦτ' ἐκεῖν' 'just what I sa.d': so Lys. 240; Ran. 3:8, τοῦτ' ἔατ' ἐκεῖν', etc.

42. προεδρίαν—cl. 25' Hdt .v. 88, γραψάμενος Δαρείον έν προεδρίη κατήμενον: more commonly in a more abstract sense, right of precedence,

as Eq. 575.

43. πάριτ' is τὸ πρόσθεν—the Prytanes having arrived and taken their places, the whole crowd streams in. The herald now calls on the people to come forward that they may be ἐντὸς τοῦ καθάρματος 'with n the purified limits'; for the assembly was opened with a ceremonial lustration by the sacrifice of a young pig, whose blood was sprinkled round. The victim itself was called κάθαρμα οτ καθάρσιον according to the scholiast; the official who carried it round was called περιστίαρχος. In the burlesque 'Parliament of ladies' the same order of procedure is observed, only as the assembly is held at home the cat (or rather ferret) is sacrificed, and not a pig: see Eccl. 128,

ο περιστιαρχος, περιφέρειν χρή την γαλήν: πάριτ' ές το πρόσθεν . τίς άγορεθειν βουλεται;

- 45. ἤδη τις εἶπε;—Amphitheus comes in late, just in time for the herald's question. τίς ἀγορεύειν βούλεται;—the regular form: cf. the striking passage where Demosthenes recalls the stupefaction caused by Philip's seizing Elatea, when ἡρώτα μὲν ὁ κῆρυξ τίς ἀγορεύειν βούλεται; παρήει δ' οὐδείς (de Cor. 285 § 170). The whole scene is illustrated by Aeschines in Timarih. 4 § 19, ἐπειδὰν τὸ καθαρσίον περιενέχθη καὶ ὁ κῆρυξ τὰς πατρίους εὐχὰς εἴξηται, προχειροτονείν κελεύει τοὺς προέδρους περί Ιερῶν τῶν πατρίων καὶ κηρυκών καὶ πρέσβεων καὶ ὀσίων, καὶ μετὰ ταῦτα ἐπερωτῷ ὁ κῆρυξ, τἰς ἀγορεύειν βούλεται;
- 46. τίς ἄν; being a stranger he is asked to show his right to speak.

  οὐκ ἄνθρωπος;—as if ἀμφιθεος meant a 'god on both si les.' The family tree of this 'half bred divinity' is generally taken as ridiculing the genealogical prologues of Euripides. C. however supposes that the speech 'is designed to show that as he was a descendant of gods and demigods his business came under the head of τὰ πατρία lepā and therefore should take precedence of all other.' The names are partly legendary; at any rate Triptolemus of Elcusis, son of Celeus, was well known as the host of Demeter.
- 33. σπονδάς ποιήσαι—here and in 58 and 131 the manuscripts and older editions have the middle voice, while later editors adopt the active. σπονδάς ποιείσθαι, 'to conclude a truce,' is used of the

contracting power, while σπονδας ποιείν is to negotiate or effect a truce; as μάχην ποιείν is to bring about or order a battle, while μάχην ποιείσθαι is to fight. In this line Mr Green retains ποιείσθαι, because 'Amphitheus, as of Attic origin, speaks as being himself one of those for whom he is to make the truce.' But surely the active gives the better sense, making Amphitheus introduce himself as 'sole authorised agent for negotiating truces.'

- 53. ἐφόδι for the journey to Sparta, as we see from 130.
- 54. oi τοξόται—called also Σκύθαι, the police or city guard. Part of their duties was to attend on the magistrates and keep order in the assembly. The Prytanes now call them to remove the seditious peacemonger. There is however no need to make one of these a speaking character, as the order is given by the hetald. Note the nominative with the article in an imperative sentence when a person is summoned: so Ran. 52t, δ παῖε ἀκολουθει, and often; cf. 155, 824 and 864.
- 55. περιόψεσθέ με;—'will you let me?' sc. be so treated. ταῦτα πάσχοντα should have followed, as in 167.
- 57.  $6\sigma ms a$  man who.'  $6\sigma ms$  relative of a class, not simply = 6s: cf. 290, 304 etc.
  - 58. κρεμάσαι τὰς ἀσπίδας—cf. 279.
- 59.  $\sigma(\gamma a)$ —most manuscripts have  $\sigma(\gamma a)$  (238), but  $\sigma(\gamma a)$  is the ordinary phrase, as in 64 and 123: Vesp 906,  $\sigma(\gamma a)$ ,  $\kappa d\theta(\gamma e)$ . ' $\gamma a$   $\mu e \nu$  o $\nu$ —'not I,' the regular form of demal or refusal:  $E_f$ . 14: Nub. 732, etc. So with  $\mu h \sigma \delta \gamma e$ , 'don't,' the negative is the important word, not the pronoun.
- 60. ἢν μὴ...πρυτανεύσητε—'if you won't prytanise for me about peace,' i.e. put it to the house officially πρυτανεύω sometimes takes the accusative, e.g. Dem. de Rhod. lib. 191 § 2, ὁ πρυτανεύσαι ταῦτα: Isocr. Pan. 121, τὴν εἰρηνην ἐπρυτάνευσε Here the word seems used some thing like ἐσκηρύττεται (135).
- ourt. Here Mitchell has an extremely interesting note on the Atherian embassies, and the conduct of diplomacy. In a later note he quotes from the Quarterly Review. The pretensions and airs of the envoys returned from two courts of a different description are not accidental, but permanent truts. If we substitute the court of the exar Peter and that of Louis XIV, for Thrace and Persia we shall see that the envoy returned from the one would be disposed to hoak of his familiarity with the hatharous autocrat, the rude convivinity in which they had lived together, and the sincerity and heartingss of his friend's politics;

while the other, in an affected tone of complaint, would detail the intolerable excess of laxury and magnificence and accommodation which had been obtruded upon him at Versailles and the Voyage de Marly.'

παρα βασιλέως—βασιλεύς without the article, sometimes with the addition of ὁ μέγας, denotes the king of Persia: 647: Thuc. ii. 62, 2, ούτε βασιλεύς ούτε άλλο ούδὲν έθνος, 'neither the Persians nor any other nation'

- 62.  $\pi$ olou  $\beta$ a $\sigma$ i $\lambda$ los;—'the king indeed!' an indignant question to which no answer is expected: cf. 109, 157 etc.: so  $\pi$ b $\theta$ e $\nu$ ; = 'not a whit.'
- 63. ταῶσι—possibly presents which they brought back : or it may mean their peacock robes and ornaments, or peacock airs.
- 64. ἀκβάτανα—'by all that's strange and foreign, what a dress!' as Mitchell suggests. Echatana is the distant home of foreign luxury: cf. Vesp. 1143, έν Ἐκβατάνοισι ταϊθ' ὑφαίνεται. For the genitive of exclamation cf. 87, 575: Vesp. 161, "Απολλον ἀποτρόπαιε, τοῦ μαντεύματος.
- 66. μισθόν φέροντας—cf 90, 137 etc.: and for της ημέρας Thuc. iii. 17, 3, δραχμήν ελάμβανε της ημέρας. Demosthenes (Fals. leg. 390, § 158) speaks of 1000 drachmae as εφόδιον for ten envoys for three months, which is a little over a drachma apiece per day.
- 67. ἐπ' Εὐθυμένους ἄρχοντος eleven years ago, according to the scholast, so Dicaeopol's might well lament over the drachmae.
- 68. ἐτρυχόμεσθα—Thuc. i. 126, 8, τρυχόμενοι τἢ προσεδρεία, 'becoming weary.' The 'hardships' which the ambassadors now deplore are luxurious travel and sumptuous entertainment. From Ephesus they passed at lessare along the valley of the Cayster with every comfort and convenience.
- 69. όδοιπλανοῦντες—'loitering on the road'; 'lepide pro όδοιποροῦντες positum, indicatur enim socordia legatorum et avantia, qui tempus in via terunt, quo maiorem mercedem capiant' (Blaydes). ἐσκηνημένου in tents, or in covered ἀρμάμαξαι such as women used (Xen. Anab. i. 2, 16). Hat. vii. 41, μετεκβαινεσκε δὲ ξΕέρξης) ὅκως μικ λόγος αἰρέοι ἐκ τοῦ ἄρματος ἐς ἀρμάμαξαν.
- 71. σφόδρα γάρ—'why yes, no doubt': 'ironiae inservit γάρ,' says Blaydes; who cites among other passages Soph. Εl. 392:
  - Χ. βιου δέ του παρόντος ού μνείαν έχεις;
  - Η. καλός γάρ ούμος βίστος ώστε θαυμάσαι.

So ne editors make the sentence interrogative

73. mapa the Emalfin along the line of battlements (collective):

Thuc. ii. 13, 6, των παρ' έπαλξιν: vii. 28, 2, προς τῆ ἐπαλξει. Garrison duty certainly seems implied; but C. takes it to mean that Dicaeopolis, 'like other fugitives from the country, had to find a bed where he could'; cf. Thuc. ii. 17, 3, κατεσκευάσαντο δὲ καὶ ἐν τοῖς πύργοις τῶν τειχῶν πολλοὶ καὶ ὡς ἔκαστός που ἐδύνατο. φορύτφ —'litter, rubbish': cf. 027.

- 74. Jakivwv-crystal or perhaps glass, see Diet. Ant. vitrum
- 75. ἄκρατον—another 'hardship.' They were constrained (πρὸς βίαν) to indulgence beyond the custom of the Greeks, who mixed their wine with water. 

  δ Κραναά πόλις he invokes the memory of the old simple days of Athens. The word means rocky and rugged, and Cranaos was a mythical king.
- 85. παρετίθει—Γq. 52, βούλει παραθώ σοι δόρπον; ib. 57: cf. προτίθημι -εμαι. δλους. βούς—see Hdt. i. 133, 'the wealthy Persians on their birthdays have an ox served up, or a horse or a camel or an ass, baked whole in ovens.' But an Athenian would expect πριβανίτας to mean simply loaves, as in 1123.
- 88. τριπλάσιον Κλεωνίμου—see Vesp. 19 note: Cleonymus the ρίψαστις (Nub. 352), was a big man, μέγας ἀσπιδαποβλής (Vesp. 592), and a frequent butt of Aristophanes as a coward, a glutton and a humbug.
- 90. ταῦτ' ἄρ'—'that then is how you cause to be gulling us' (Green); because he had been feasing on the gull. For ταῦτα = διὰ ταῦτα cf. Νuò. 310, 353 etc.
- 91. **ἄγοντες ἥκομεν**—we should say 'we have brought with us.' Forms of expression like this, which are very common, ulastrate the principle that when a verb and participle come together, the participle is usually the important word. Thus in Thuc. 1. 20, 3, τὸ πλῆθος Ἰππαρχον οίονται τέραννον ὅντα ἀποθανεῖν means 'most people think that Πέρραrchus, who was slain, was tyrant': cf ib. βουλόμενοι δράσαντές τι καὶ κινδυνεῦσαι, 'to do something if they must risk their lives.'
- 92. τον βασιλίως οφθαλμόν—the regular title of the chief intelligence official · cf. Hdt. i. 114, where boys in sport choose one of their number to be 'king's eye': Xen Cyr. vi i. 2, 10, τους βασιλέως καλουμένους οφθαλμούς και τὰ βασιλέως ώτα: 16. 6, 16.
- 93. τόν τε σόν του πρέσβεως—τε is a manifest improvement in sense, besides avoiding the repeated γε. πρέσβυς sing, meaning an ambassador occurs Aesch. Suppl. 708, but is quite exceptional.

- The King's Lye comes in with a pantomine mask adorned with a huge painted eye. This suggests to Dicaeopolis the idea of a ship's rowing porthole through which the oar worked. Or, as Dr Warre says, 'on either side of the bows was a hawse hole which figured as the eye (ἀφθαλμός) of the vessel' (Dict. Ant. navis), and this may be meant.
- 05. πρός τών θεών 'tell me, in heaven's name,' must here be connected with a question, for the phrase is not an affirmation. ναύφρακτον βλέπας is therefore either interrogative or parenthetical. ναυφρακτος is an adjective meaning 'ship-fenced'; and the sense is 't') look like a man of war' or 'a line of lattle.' For βλέπω thus used cf. 254, 566, etc. If interrogative we get 'does your look mean fighting, or are you simply making for harbour?' Oil erwise 'with your battleship look, are you etc.'
- 96. n-Ribbeck and Bla, les write n for n, assuming that there is only one question. PseudartaLas enters slowly, solemnly staring round, like a ship making cannously for port; hence the question 'are you rounding a headland and looking out for a dock?'
- 97. ασκωμέχεις-άσκωμα was a leather bag through which the oar-handle worked to prevent the water washing in. We must suppose the Eye's mask encircled with a great black beard 'round his eye below.
- 100. Ιαρταμάν κ.τ.λ.—this line, which appears in the manuscripts with all sorts of variations, is either mock-Persian and nonsense, or a real Persian sentence which Aristophanes procured and which has perished in the hands of copyists. In Ribbeck's interesting note we have a Pers an expert's restoration, bringing out a promise from the King to send supplies of gold to Athens. This seems however directly contradicted by 104 and 113. Many editors adopt Branck's reading εξάρξ άναπισσόναι σάτρα, as if the line were bad Greek and equivalent to aprior έξηρξ' (εξηρξατ') αναπισσούν σαθρά, 'he lately began to recaulk rotten seams,' i.e. to restore the mavy or reorganise the state. But, besides the fact that such a 'message' would be utterly out of place (unless Indeed the refi.ted ships were to help the Adienians), these words would have been more or less understood, whereas in too the ambassador professes to translate what was unintelligible. The case seems thus: Pseudartabas delivers his king's message in Persian or quasi Persian; the ambassador interprets that the King intends to send gold, and bids Pseudartabas speak again and emphasise the gold.

He speaks again, this time in barbarous Greek, but plain enough to show that his master's purpose is quite different.

- τοι. ξυνήκαθ' ξυνίεθ' (Cobet), as the 1st aorist is tragic, and the present tense is required here: cf. δράπ; ἀκούεις; etc.
- 103. μείζον--'louder' · Vesp. 963, λεξον μέγα, 'speak up': Act. Ap. xxvî. 24, δ Φήστος μεγάλη τῆ φωνῆ φησίν, Malvy Παθλε.
- 104. οὐ λῆψι—this is plain enough though barbarous: cf. Thesm. 1001, etc. where the Scythian archer says οἰμῶξι, κλαῦσι etc. For 'Ιαοναῦ cf. βασιλιναῦ, Αυ. 1678: otherwise 'Ιᾶον, αὐ (or οῦ) is tempting. Dobree says 'Ionum nomen contumeliose dictum,' as the name was dishked (Hdt. 1. 143).
- τοδ. ὅ τι; sc. 'do you ask what?' cf. 959. χαυνοπρώκτους has the idea of gaping fools, like χαυνοπολίτας (635).
- 108. dxdvas—sald to be a Persian measure equal to 45 medimni: xavv- might suggest the middle syllable.
- trt. πρός τουτονί—before the ambassador (or the ennuch), confronting those whom he supposes to be accomplices in a fraud (C); or according to the scholast 'to me, here': cf. Plut. 868, εμὲ τουτονί. Others take it 'before this stick, or whip'; or adopt Reiske's πρός τουτονί, 'I adjure you by this cudgel.'
- 112. βάμμα Σαρδιανικόν—i.e. scarlet or purple, 'black and blue.' For the cognate construction of. Pac. 1174, βεβαπται βάμμα Κυζικηνικόν. The Eye shakes his head at the first question, and node impressively at the second.
- 115. Έλληνικόν γ'-'in right good Greek.' Dicacopolis now drops in some degree his stern and threatening manner and goes on with some comic business and personal attacks.
  - 116. κούκ έσθ' όπως ούκ—so Nub. 1307: Vesp. 260 etc.
- 118. Khar $\theta$ év $\eta$ s—Cleisthenes is repeatedly attacked for his efferminacy, e.g. Nub. 355: he and Straton are decided as beardless  $E_{7}$  1374. Here he is in ridicule called the son of S.byrtius, who was a great athletic trainer.
- 119. ω θερμόβουλον—the scholast cites from Euripides ω θερμόβουλον σπλάγχνον, 'O fiery heart.'
- 121. έσκευασμένος- 'got up,' like σκευάσας, 739: Thesm. 591, ώσπερ γυναίκ' έσκεύασαν.
- 125. ἐς τὸ πρυτανείον—as ambassadors were generally invited:

  Dem. Fals. leg. 350 § 31, ἡ βουλὴ οὐτ' ἐπήνεσε τούτους οὐτ' εἰς τὸ πρυτανείον ἡξίωσε καλέσαι· καίτοι τοῦτ' ἀφ' οὐ γέγονεν ἡ πόλις, οὐδείς πώποτε φήσει παθεῖν οὐδένας πρέσβεις: cs. Ran. ηδα, σίτησιν ἐν πρυτανείω λαμβάνειν. ἀγχόνη—Aeschin. Fals. leg. 33 § 18, ἀγχόνη τοῦτ' ἄρ' ἦν καὶ λύπη τούτω: Vesp. 686, δ μάλιστά μ' ἀπάγχει.

- 127. τοὺς δέ -answering to ἐγώ and following ξενίζειν. There is a little harshness of construction, as the subject of ξενίζειν (τὴν βοιλήν) has to be supplied. τοχει 'stops, checks,' with inf. l.ke κωλύω. As Mr Green says we should expect ἀει ἐτοίμη θύρα or the like, but the expression may be proverbial (schol.). As the envoys pass from the stage Dicaeopolis determines on Immediate action.
- 130. Tavraot Spaxuás—'take eight diachmae, here.' Note the omission of the article when things actually present are pointed out; cf. 187, 960 etc. Amphitheus we have seen had no travel-money; so he is provided at the ambassador's rate for a four days' journey to Sparta and back.
- 131. ποίησον see note on 52. Here Mr Green simply alters the accent, and reads ποιήσαι as active infinitive in imperative sense. πρός Λακεδαιμονίους—note such instances of a dative construction and πρός as Thuc i. 17, 3, πρὸς περιοίκους τοὺς αὐτῶν ἐκάστοις, 'between each several state and its neighbours' (Shaleto); and see my note on Thuc. iv. 80, 2, a passage which seems generally misunderstood.
  - 132. πλάτιδι-' wife'; connected with πελάζω, έπλάθην etc.
- 133. πρεσβεύεσθε—'go on with your embassies'. middle voice, of the state which sent them.
- 134. Olopos—see Nub. 400. Vesp. 42: 'ut periurus, rapax, moechus, adulator saepius carpitur' (Richter). Sitalces king of the Odrysian Thracians became the ally of Athens in 431, his son Sadocus being made a citizen (Thuc. 11. 29, 5). Possibly, as Dr Merry suggests, Olopos is not a proper name, but means the 'high commissioner,' who was now returned from Thrace after performing the sacred rites that admitted Sadocus to Athenian citizenship. In 429, Shalces invaded Macedonia in the interests of Athens with a force which at one time amounted to 150,000 men (ib. 98, 5).
- 135. ἔτερος...ἐσκηρύττεται here's another humbug being heralded in'; see note on 60.
- 138. κατένεψε ..ἔπηξε-- Ναδ. 965, κεί κριμνώδη κατανιφοι: 30 θει, βροντά etc. sc. δ θεδε. δλην -- note the order; cf. 160.
- 140. Oloyvis—see note on 11. Here is indeed a tribute to the poet's chilling influence, if his play at Athens froze even the rivers in Thrace. In some editions Theorus says this.
- 143. άληθῶς—Εur. Suppl. 867, φίλος δ' άληθης ην φίλοις. έραστής—Eg. 732, φιλώ σε,  $\tilde{\omega}$  δημ', έραστής τ' είμι σός.
- 144. in tolor tolyous—cf. Vesp. 97, in lon genpamperon. Aimon radon, where see Rogers' note.

- 145. ἐπεποιήμεθα—in middle sense of the citizens who adopted him (Εq. 63, τέχνην πεποίηται). We have the active Thuc. it. 29, 5, δ Νυμφόδωρος ἐποίησε Σάδοκον 'Αθηναίον, Nymphodorus being a third party: cf. ii. 67, 2, Σάδοκον τὸν γεγγενημένον 'Αθηναίον.
- 146. & Aπατουρίων—on the third day of this feast Sadocus would be enrolled in his φρατρία as a newly-created citizen. This was an exceptional privilege in the case of a foreigner; see Dict. Ant. Aristophanes suggests that, like a greedy boy, he thought more of the sausages than the ceremony.
- 147.  $\pi \acute{a}\tau p \acute{a}$  a tragic word not found in Attic prose. Dr Rutherford says, 'there is a ludicrous point in the boy who has just been initiated at the great Ionic festival of the  $\Delta \pi a \tau o \acute{\nu} p i a$ , and gorged with the sausages that symbolised Athenian citizenship, addressing his father in Ionic heroics and calling upon him  $\beta o \eta \theta e \acute{\nu} \tau \hat{\eta} \pi \acute{a}\tau p a$ ' (New Phrynichus p. 19).
- 150. το χρήμα—Nub. 2, το χρήμα τών νυκτών: Ran. 1278: of something striking or strange, quantity, mass etc. Here 'postulari videtur articulus ante παρνόπων' (Blaydes): so Lys. 83.
- 152. πλην τών παρνόπων except that they will come down on us like locusts.
- 154. τούτο μέν γ'—'well, anyhow': see Neil, Eq. Ap. i. p. 192: so Nub 1172. Is the meaning 'well, now we have a plain statement,' or 'well, now that's plain enough' i.e. that they will ravage us like locusts?
  - 155. οί Θράκες ίτε -- see note on 54 and 242.
- 156. 'Οδομάντων--- Thuc. 11. 101, 3, speaks of the Odomanti as αὐτόνομοι (8 C. 429): 11 v. 6, 2, we have Polles king of the Odomanti applied to by Cleon to furnish mercenaries. This was after the death of S.talces in 424 (iv. 101, 5).
- 157. Touth to fiv;—'what can this be?'; so 767: Ran. 39. This exclamation of astonishment comes under the use of the imperfect for 'present recognition of an existing fact' (Goodwin, 39).
- 159. δύο δραχμάς—very high pay, equal to an ambassador's. At Potidaea each hoplite had two drachmae for himself and his servant, Thuc. iii. 17, 3. The sailors of the Sicilian fleet had a drachma each (vi. 31, 3) but three obols appears to have been the regular pay (vii. 45, 2).
- 160. καταπελτάσονται—Sitalces was to send cavalry and πελτασταί (Thuc. ii. 29, 1), and Thracian peltasts perpetually occur.
  - 162. ο θρανίτης λεώς—the θρανίται were the able seamen who

worked the longest oars. They had extra bounties in the Sicilian expedition (Thuc. vi. 31, 3), and were indeed the most important part of the crew. They would be also most exposed to the enemy's missiles.

163. οἴμοι τάλας—the Odomanti rushing on the stage have seized Dicaeopolis' basket with his supply of garlie. In burlesque phrase he calls himself 'devastated' or 'pillaged,' πορθούμενος taking the accusative of deprivation: cf. Dem. Timocr. 756 § 182, τὴν θεὸν τοὺς ατεφανούς σεσυλήκασι.

165. ὦ μοχθηρὲ σύ—' wretched man,' in pitying expostulation: cf. Ran. 1175.

166. οὐ μη πρόσει—' don't go near': Ran. 607, οὐ μη πρόσιτον; see Goodwin § 297 and Ap. ii. ἐσκοροδισμένοις—like fighting cocks: cf. Eq. 494: ἐσκορόδισας ib. 946.

169.  $\pi o \approx v \approx \lambda \eta \sigma (av)$  the active is the usual form: see Neil on  $E_q$ . 746, where he says that a special  $(\sigma \delta \gamma \kappa \lambda \eta \tau \sigma s)$  meeting is generally implied. Here it seems a case of continuing or resuming the sitting.

171. Stoonpia 'ori—'an assembly was broken up by a so-called broonpia or sign from heaven, such as thunder, lightning, rain storm, eclipse of the sun, or earthquake. Of course it was only in comedy that public business could be interrupted at the caprice of any individual who chose to say that he had felt a drop of rain; in Greece, as at Rome, these signs had their authorised interpreters, who at Athens were the exegetae' (Dict. Aut. ecclesia).

172. antivat—'the Thracians to will.draw'; see note on 247. ets tvnv—'on the day after next'; els like ad of date, our 'Ly' or 'against.'

173. **λύουσι** λύω is used of the έκκλησία, **άφ**ίημι of the βοιλή and the δ.καστήρια: cf. Vesp. 505, note.

'At this point exeunt Prytanes, Thracians, people etc. Dicaeopolis does not leave the stage, but the scene behind him changes to an open space in the country with a house on each side, one for Dicaeopolis (202) the other for Euripides (368). The house which serves first as the dwelling of Euripides may do duty for that of Lamachus afterwards' (C).

Dicaeopolis on his road home is musing regretfully on the loss of his luncheon when he is interrupted by the return of Amphitheus.

- 174. μυττωτόν—of which garlie was a prime ingredient. ὅσον may be either exclamatory or relative (= ὅτι τοσοῦτον).
  - 175. ἀλλ'...γάρ---cf. 40.
- 176 μήπω—sc. χαίρειν λέγε: cf. 296: Ran 1281, μὴ πρίν γ' ἄν ἀκούσης. The old reading was μήπω γε πρίν ἄν, and γε is generally used in such elliptic phrases, e.g. μὴ σύ γε, μὴ 'μοί. Hence μήπω γε, πρίν γ' ἄν (Bergk), and other suggestions. στῶ τρέχων—'stop running': Dem. Phil. iv. 134 § 10, οὐ στήσεται ἀδικῶν. The phrase is strange, though somewhat analogous to παιομαι λέγων and the like (Goodwin § 879).
- 177. φεύγοντ' ἐκφυγεῖν—Ναδ. 167, φεύγων ἄν ἀποφύγοι · Vesp. 579, φεύγων, οὐκ ἀποφεύγει. Blaydes gives several instances of such combinations, which were plainly not unpleasing to the Greek ear.
- 179. **& pove of the samples of libation or truce were (we may suppose) brought in leathern bottles, and the perfumes escaped' (Green). Throughout this passage the ideas of drink offering and treaty are combined.**
- 180. 'Aχαρνικοί—'true Acharnians': see Tluc. 1 20, 4; 21, 3 for the warlke spirit and importance of the Acharnians, who raised 3000 hoplites for the war. στιπτοί from root of στείβω, 'close-grained': no doubt, like the words which follow, suggested by the Acharnians being great charcoal-burners. For πρίνινοι cf. Vesp. 877, πρίνινοι ήθοι: ίδ. 383, τὸν πρινώδη θυμόν καλέσαντες.
- 181. Μαραθωνομάχαι the typical burgess-warriors, like our 'Waterloo-men, Peninsula-men' (Blaydes): so Nub. 986.
- 183. Tŵy dµwekwv—cf. 512; 986. The Peloponnesians had invaded and ravaged Attica every year since the outbreak of the war, with the exception of 429 and 426. Acharnae was one of the places which suffered most, Thuc. ii. 19.
  - 184. τῶν λίθων-for the partitive genitive of 805, 870 etc
- 186. οίδ' οὖν βοώντων—'well let them shout': Ναδ. 39, σὰ δ' οδν κάθευδει Soph. Αj. 961, οἱ δ' οὖν γελώντων.
- 187. Εγωγέ φημι—either word means yes, so perhaps we should read έγωγε, φημί, 'fero, inquam' as Brunck translates.

- 189. **alβο**τ—expressive of d'sgust, especially at a bad smell. **άρξοκουσίν μ'** the accusative with άρξοκω is generally accepted, but Van Leeuwen on *l'esp.* 776 has a theory that it is the dative μοι οτ σοι that is elided. Ran. 103, σὲ δὲ ταῦτ' ἀρεσκει; he thinks may be corrupt, and elsewhere when there is no elision we have the dative. The accusative is however certain in Plato, e.g. Rep. 557 B, ἢτις ἔκαστον ἀρέσκοι, and another is stance ib. D.
- 190. with which the porous répanot were coated. So the five years' truce is all too short, and 'sinells of pitch and getting triremes ready.'
  - 191. άλλά so 1033: cf. άλλά νῦν, etc.
- 193. **Εσπερ διατριβής** dert τοῦ ἀπωλείας και συντριβής (schol), i e 'wearing out of the allies,' or (some say) 'delay on the part of the allies.' Herwerden suggests διατριβής και ξυλλόγων. As Mr Green says 'a ten years' truce would but mean embassies and levying of troops from unwilling and dilatory allies, and then renewal of war.' There seems something wrong and awkward about the clause with Εσπερ.
- 195. & Διονόσια—smacking his hips, and invoking the name of the rustic festival from which he had been so long debarred.
- 197. καὶ μὴ 'πιτηρεῖν 'not having to look out, provide': the i finitive stands loosely in combination with the preceding nouns: cf. Thic. iv. 66, 2, νομίζοντες ελάσσω σφισι τον κίνουνον ή τους εκπέσοντας ίπο σφῶν κατελθεῖν: id. v. 53, 2 · vi. 60, 3. Some editors however transpose this verse and the next, making ἐπιτηρεῖν depend on λέγουσι. ἐπιτηρεῖν usi illy means to watch for something likely to come, as in 923. Merry and Paley therefore explain 'not to be always looking out for (the orler), Rations for three days.' σιτί ἡμερῶν τριῶν like soldiers ordered on service: Pac. 312, ἔχοντας ῆκεω σιτί ἡμερῶν τριῶν: so Fesp. 243, ἡμερῶν δργὴν τριῶν, of dicasts summoned to court.
- 198. έν τῷ στόματι— the mouth of the taster, or the mouth of the bottle, or, as the schollast says, ώς γυναϊκας είδωλονοιεῖ τὰς σπονδάς. βαίν' ὅποι θέλεις the countrymen bad sufficient terribly from being comped up within the city walls, and the war had stopped intercourse between state and state. In the 50 years' peace of 421 the first provision is fir free access for all Greeks to the national shrines and festivals (Thuc. v. 18, 1)
- 11/9. σπένδομαι—' with these I pour libations (making truce), and will druk them to the last drop' (Merry).
- 300. χαίρειν κελεύειν πολλά. Ε.ωτ. Πιρ. 113, την σην δε Κύπρεν σολλ' έγω χαίρειν λέγω.

203. ἐγὰ δὲ. γε—'and I for my part': δὲ...γε 'common in retort, when the second speaker, accepting the statement of the first, wishes to cap it or to bring in a consideration on the other side' (Neil, Eq. Ap. i.): cf. Eq. 356, ἐγὰ δὲ γ' ἤνυστρον βοδε: and Shilleto on Dem. Fals leg. 369, § 102.

As the scene concludes Dicaeopolis enters his house, and Amphitheus leaves the stage by the left.

### Parodos of the Chorus, lines 204-316

204. The chorus enters from the right. It consists of twenty-four old charcoal-burners, vigorous indeed but without the nimbleness of their early days. Still they are eager in pursuit, and the trochaic measure corresponds to their excitement. πῶς ἐπου the leader (κορυφαίος) addresses his band: Καπ. 372, χώρει νῶν πὰς. The double construction with πυνθάνου is not ceable: the gentive of the person questioned is of course common, and in Theim. 619, we have τον ἐμον ἄνδρα πυνθάνοι; 'do you ask about my husband?'

205. τῆ πόλει γάρ ἄξιον—cf. 8.

210. ἐκπέφευγ'—' the old men stop, finding that Amphitheus has escaped, and bewail the feebleness of age, so different from their activity in youth' (Paley).

211. ἐπ' ἐμῆς νεοτητος— Vesp. 1199, ἐπὶ νεότητος: Eq. 524, επὶ γηρως, οὐ γὰρ ἐφ' ήβης. With this passage compare the verses in the Wasps (230—239), where the old men who form the choras recall their days of youthful prowess.

214. ἡκολούθουν—'kept up with.' Phayllus of Crotona, like Ladas in after days, was a proverbal runner: cf. Vesp. 1206, τον δρομέα Φάνλλον είλον διώκων. Crotona sent one ship to Salamis, της ήρχε άνηρ τρὶς πιθιονίκης Φάνλλος, Hdt. vili. 47. He was an all-round athlete, according to the epigram which the scholiast quotes:

πέντ' έπλ πεντήκοντα πόδας πήδησε Φάυλλος, δίσκευσεν δ' έκατον πέντ' απολειπομένων.

215. φαύλως—'easily, lightly': Thesm. 711, φαύλως ἀποδράς. Vesp. 656, λόγισαι φαύλως, 'roughly': ib. 1013, μη πέση φαύλως χαμάζε.

218. ἀπεπλίξατο - 'stepped, or trotted off': Hom. Od vi 318, εδ δέ πλίσσοντο ποδεσσι. πλίξ γάρ τὸ βήμα καὶ πλίγματα τὰ πηδήματο. (schol.).

220. Aaxpareisy-meaning himself: Lacrateides according to the scholast was an old archon in the days of Darius.

- 221. μη γάρ έγχάνη most modern editors read έγχάνοι: but, with Merry and Paley, I have an inclination to the old reading έγχάνη as more distinctly prohibitive = 'do not let him': Soph. Trach. 802, μηδ' αὐτοῦ θανω μὴ έᾶτε: see Thuc. iv. 95, τ, παραστῆ δὲ μηδενί: Plat. Symp. 222 D, μηδεν πλέον αὐτῷ γένηται. So Λesch. Ag. 13t, and (co named with an optative) Suppl. 357 For the word and construction cf. Vesp. 1007, κοῦκ ἐγχανεῖται σ' ἐξαπατῶν Ὑπέρβολος.
- 226. olor against whom.' Then comes a parody or quotation ex 80000 m os occurs Soph. At. 232: cf. Hom. II. 1 5:8.
- 218. τῶν ἐμῶν χωρίων 'for my farms' Blay les understands Ενεκα or the like: see however the instances in Monro's Homeric Grammar § 176 (1), e.g. II. xviu. 88, πένθος παιδος ἀποφθιμένοιο Green renders 'war raised by my neighbourhood.'
- 230. σχοΐνος—'a very reed' or rush; vid. δξύσχουσς: it was the spear of the frogs against the mice, Hom Batr. 256. ἀντεμπάγω no other instance is given of this compound; cf. 1226.
- 231 ἀνιαρός inserted by Blaydes, four syllibles being wanting, so ne editors maik a licura after δδυνηρός. The scholiast on the next line says that stakes were set among vines to stop intriders, and adds ἐπειδή οῦν προείπε, σκολοψ και σχοῦνος αὐτοῖς ἄτ' ἐμπάγω κ τ.λ.: Klotz therefore reads και σκόλοψ δξύς. ἐπίκωπος raises a further question: the scholiast says ἀντὶ τοῦ, διὰ νεῶς καὶ ναυτικὸς ὧν ἐπίω αὐτοῖς, taking the word to mean 'at the oar' Hence Bergh's suggestion ἐπίω θ' ἄμ' επικωπος, i e 'and till I assail them too at sea.' Here however the idea of naval attick seems out of place. Müller while disclaiming a decisive view 'in tain dubia re' inclines to Green's conclusion that the whole passage is best taken as referring to the defence of vineyards by thorns, briars, stakes, etc.; and then ἐπίκωπος applied to σχοῦνος will be 'up to the hilt, piercing them deeply.' So αὐτοκωπος and πρόκωπος are both used of swords.
- 234 βαλλήναδε—'towards Peltington' (Green). Pallene being a dame near Acharnae. Merry suggests 'Haringham,' and points out that Pallene was an important military position. So in one sense the words imply 'look out for a good position,' and then comes in the pan from βαλλω. See Blaydes for a long list of similar jokes.
- 235. γην πρό γης -so Aesch. Prom 682, γην πρό γης ελαύνομαι, where Paley says that πρό has the sense of πόρρω, which I do not understand. Is the meaning 'to one land before another' or 'instead of i e in preference to, as Lid. and Scott seem to take hit. We have too six Eros Soph. Ant. 340, and such phrases as hutpow παρ hutpay,

where the accusative expresses duration. Here it is applied to 'the space traversed,' as in Thuc. v. 9, 6, έθει την δδόν ταύτην.

236. ἐμπλήμην - Vesp. 603, ἔμπλησο λέγων: Eur. Ηιρ. 660, μισῶν οὔποτ' ἐμπληθήσομαι: for the form cf. Lys. 235, ὅδατος ἔμπληθ' ἡ κύλιξ: 80 κεκλήμην, μεμνήμην etc.

- 237. Dicaeopolis is heard coming out with his daughter and two slaves to celebrate the rural Dionysia. εὐφημεῖτε the first thing is the proclamation for sacred silence: Vesp. 868, εὐφημία μὲν πρῶτα νῶν ὑπαρχέτω.
- 238. σῖγα πᾶς—sc. lσθι or έχε. For πᾶς with the imperative cf. 204: Pac. 301, δεθρο πᾶς χώρει προθύμως. τῆς εὐφημίας the injunction to keep silence: cf. Eur. Herc. Fur. 962, ἀκοὴν ἐπειπών, 'first proclaiming ἄκουε πᾶς.' The Acharnians conceal themselves as the procession steps forth. They do not wish to hinder a sacred rite; and as yet they do not know that it is Dicaeopolis who has made the trace.
- 242. προίτω's τὸ πρόσθεν— this is nearest the manuscript reading, is τὸ πρόσθεν being undoubtedly right, as in 43. For the second person προίθ' els (or is) which many editors have see 54 (note): 155 etc. The nominative with the article is in apposition to σύ or ὑμεῖs implied (Kruger, Gr. 46. 2, 6). ἡ κανηφόρος the daughter bears on her head the sacred basket with the requisites for sacrifice: she now comes forward and places it on the altar.
- 344. "

  τ' άπαρξώμεθα—the 'instratory rite' is described in the following lines.
- 245. ω μητερ—speaking to her mother, who does not appear on the stage but 'hands up' the ladle from within the house. Some editors however give 244 and 253—8 to the mother.
- 246. ¿λατήρος—a flat cake, παρά το ταῖς χερσίν ἐλαύνεσθαι εἰς πλάτος. It was taken from the κανοίς, the ἔτνος, borne by Dicaeopolis in the χύτρα (284), was poured over it and it was then offered on the altar.
- 247. και μήν καλόν γ' ἔστ'—i.e. 'well, all is now ready?' The procession being duly arranged Dicaeopolis now prays to the presiding

deity. The infinitives dyayew and guveneyees express a wish or player (Goodwin 785): cf. 435; and see the same constluction in a similar scene Vesp, 569. In some editions however there is no stop after for' and they are taken with  $\kappa a\lambda d\nu \gamma' \delta \sigma \tau'$ . So in laws and decrees the infinitive construction is used; see 172; Dem. Med 517,  $\tau o \delta \tau = \tau \sigma c \delta \nu \delta \kappa \kappa \lambda \eta \sigma l a\nu'$  the prytanes to convene an assembly.

- 251. στρατιάς -'service'; στρατεια is not used by Aristophanes. άπαλλαχθέντα so Vesp. 504, where Van Leeuwen reads ἀπαλλαχέντα: see note on Vesp. 484. Veitch says 'the 1st aorist passive is used more frequently than the 2nd aorist by Sophocles and Europides. The 2nd novist is always used by Aeschylus; generally by Aristophanes.' The 1st aorist is not found in Attic prose.
- 252. **ξυνενεγκών** 'tuin out,' evenire' Aesch. Suppl 753, καλώς γ' αν ήμων ξυμφέρου ταθτ': Λ'μδ. 594, έπι το βέλτιον ξυνοισεται: so ξυμφέρου generally 'to be of service.'
- 253. καλή καλώς—so Eccl. 730, χώρει καλή καλώς, of a procession. cf κακόν κακώς, σοφός σοφώς etc., bella belle (Plaut.).
- 254. βλέπουσα θυμβροφάγον—' with a savory-eating look,' demure and prim, savory being a bitter herb: cf. Vesp. 455, βλεπόντων κάρδαμα: Eq. 131, ξβλεψε νάπυ. It is a comic adaptation of such Aeschy.ean 1 hrases as "Αρη δεδορκότων (Sept. 53).
- 255. δπύσει—Hom. II. xui. 429, πρεσβυτάτην δ' ώπιτε θυγατρών Ἰπποδαμείαν: Hes. etc. The passive is used of the woman; cf. γαμώ, γαμοίμαι.
- 256. φυλάντεσθαι infinitive for 2nd person imperative; see note on 17.p. 3.6. In this construction the subject is in the nominative; but when the infinitive stands for the 3rd person imperative the subject is in the accusative (Goodwin 784. 2). See Monro's Hom. Gr. § 241, also Leaf on Ifom. II. iii. 285, Τρώας, άποδούναι, where he suggests that perhaps Τρώες should be read.
- 257. περιτράγη—for the force of περί in composition of. Time, iv. 12. 1. περιερριη, of Brasidas' shield, the handle of which slipped 'from round' his arm: ib. 51, 1, Χίοι τὸ τείχοι περιείλου, took down the wall which was round their city. Plat. Rep. 5 9 A, περιεκόπη with acc, 'was c. pped of its surroundings.' τὰ χρυσία strings of gold coins may be meant: Αυ. 571, δσον δ' έχει τὸν χρυσόν ώσπερ παρθένοι: Hom H. ii. 572, δι καὶ χρυσόν έχων πόλεμονδ' δεν ἡύτε κοιρη. The high-born κανηφοροί were especially rich in their array. The idea of a crowd of spectators is kept up; the daughter is to mind her jewels, the mother look on from the roof.

- 262. πρόβα—to the daughter; the little procession now begins, the sacrifice having been duly offered.
- 266. ἔκτφ σ' ἔτει—cf. 890; the war began in the early summer of 431, and the last celebration of the rural Dionysia, a winter feast, would be in 432. 

  \*\*pοσεῖπον\*\*—of welcome and greeting, as 882, 891.

  \*\*es τὸν δῆμον\*\*—this shows that the scene was changed, as noted on 173.

269. πραγμάτων—' πράγματα = res quae negotium nobis facessint'

(Muller), 'bothers, troubles': so 757.

- 270. Λαμάχων Lamachus is first mentioned by Thucydides in 424 (iv. 75, 1). He is taken by Aristophanes as a typical soldier and champion of the war party. No doubt his name came in well (cf. 1071), τάχα δ΄ ἄν τι καὶ τοῦ οῦνδματος ἐπαύροιτο, as Herodotus says of Leon when the Persians sacrificed him (vii. 180).
- 277. ἐκ κραιπάλης -to set you right next morning: cf. List 1255, ἀποτίνειν ἀργύριον ἐκ κραιπάλης. εἰρήνης τρυβλίον—peace, like the σπονδαί, being typified as wine; so 1053.
- 279. φεψάλφ 1.e. in the chimney corner, safe from damp; see 58: Av. 434, την πανοπλίαν κρεμάσατον είς τον ίπνον είσω. φεψαλος is properly a spark, as in 666. κρεμήσεται—Vesp. 808.

- 280. The chorus, being now sure of their man, rush out to stone Dicaeopolis, the procession scattering in panic; cf. the onslaught of the chorus in the Rhesus of Europides (675), βάλλε βάλλε βάλλε βαλλε, θείνε θείνε.
- 282. παΐε πα̂ς—so 204, πα̂ς έπου, δίωκε: cf. Eq. 247, παῖε παῖε τὸν πανοῦργον: Vesp. 456, παῖε παῖ'. For πα̂ς some c liters read παῖ tor παῖε, like παῦ παῦ', οῦτος, a reading which is commonly accepted Eq. 821.
- 284. 'Hράκλειs—he appeals to Hercules as ά\εξικακος, says the scholast; adding that he raises a laugh by his care for the pot with the soup in it rather than for his own head. It was however a sort of sacred jar, see 246: cf. Av. 43, κανοῦν ἔχοντε καὶ χύτραν καὶ μυρρινας.

285. μέν οὖν 'nay rather,' 'no, it's you we'll stone.' For the use of μέν οὖν in modifying what goes before, see Eq. 910, έμοῦ μέν οὖν, απώ

note on Vesp. 898, θάνατος μέν σῦν κινειος, when 'a dog's death' is suggested by the judge in place of the lighter penalty which the prosecutor proposed.

δ μιαρά κεφαλή — 'accursed wretch': Hom. It. vi.i. 28t, Τεθκρε, φίλη κεφαλή: especially in addresses; cf. the tragic use of καρα. Demosthenes uses it as descriptive, e.g. Meid. 552 § 117, ταιτ' έλεγεν ἡ μιαρά και ἀναιδης αιτη κεφαλή (where follows a masculine participle in accordance with the sense).

286. γεραίτατοι—'most reverend.' Blaydes calls this 'error solennis' and reads γεραίτεροι 'ellers,' companing Nub. 1395 etc.; but the change seems gratuitous.

291. elra-see note on 24.

292 ἀκούσατ', ἀλλ' ἀκούσατε—Hamaker's conjecture adopted by M. Mer. It follows the line of R οὐκ ἴσατ' αλλ', and is supported by 322. In the ordinary reading οὐκ ἴστε γ' the particle γ' is awkwai...y placed, though δὲ ..γε 'yes, but' is common in retort; of Eq. 363-5 Dobree suggests οὐκ ἴστε μ'. Meineke and Green adopt μάλλ' ἀκαύσατε, 'don't (refuse) but': of. 458: Κ'απ. 103, 752 (in both cases however after a question).

295. κατά σε χώσομεν—cf. Νειδ. 792, άπο γάρ δλούμαι: Γετρ. 784, ανά τοι με πειθεις

299. λέγε λόγον — tell me a long story': Lys. 747, τίνα λόγον λέγεις; 'what nonse ise are you talking?' Ear. Med. 321 μη λόγους λέγε, 'do not speak empty words.' See Mayor's note on Cic. 11 Phil. 17, 42. Incta dicere, 'to make jests.' 'The general rule is that the cognate accusative must either be defined by an an ective, pronoun, or attributive clause, or else must itself connote something more than the verb; otherwise the addition would be merely superfluous.'

300. μεμίσηκα—the perfect implies a fixed and permanent hatred : of 993, νενομικαs: Thuc. 1. 120, 4, ουδειε έντεθύμηται.

301. κατατεμώ καττύματα—'I will cut into shoe soles': so Eq. 768, κατατμηθείην λεκαδνα, 'into straps' · Ναδ. 370, δερώ σε θυλακον: 442, ἄσκον δείρειν. έs which appears in some manuscripts is therefore not needed.

For καττύματα - cl. F. 314, οίδ' έγω τὸ πράγμα τοθθ' δθεν πάλαι καττιεται. Α. εί δὲ μη συ γ' οίσθα καττυμ' ούδ' έγω χορδειματα (see Nett): Γειρ. 1160, έχθρων παρ' ἀνδρων δυσμένη καττύματα.

We have here a significant threat of the coming onslaught on the feather seller in the Kinghts. The chorus is indeed speaking for the poet himself, so in Pisp. 342, Δημολογοκλέων is used as a term of reading by Choon's own partisans the dicasts.

305 ἐκποδών - 'out of the case': Eur Aled. 1222, ἐκποδων ἔστω λόγοι. elsewhere in Aristophanes with words of motion, as in 240. The thought of the Laconians exasperates the choice, and Dicaeopolis tries to change the subject.

306. τῶν σπονδῶν ἀκούσατ'—ι.e. hear from my mouth, like ἀκούειν λόγου, otherwise we should expect the accusative: Dem.

επ Macari 1051 § 2, εύνοικως άκροάσασθαι των λεγομένων.

307. πως καλως—how can you say καλως (sc. σπείσασθαι)? The second dv may be supported (see Blaydes). It is however omitted in R, 'rectissime' according to Copet, who approves λέγοις ἐπειπερ. εἴπερ γε, l.ke εῖ γε, 'with or without an intervening word, ten. s, like siquidem, to mean since' (Neil).

308. ούτε βωμός, κ.τ λ. αλ γάρ συνθήκαι διά τριών τελούνται λύγων μέν οίον δι' δρκου, έργων δὲ διά τών έν βωμοίς θυσιών, χειρών δὲ ἐπειδή αλ πίστεις διά τών δεξιών γίγνονται (schol.). Maller compares Eur. Med. 21,

βοά μέν δρκους, άνακαλεί δε δεξιάς πίστιν μεγίστην, καὶ θεούς μαρτύρεται.

Enemies of course are always charged with bad faith: so Punica fides, perfide Almon, and the like were quite proverbial express ons. Nor were the Athenian poets behindhand in reviling their foes: cf. L<sub>1</sub>s. 629, (of the Laconians) οἶσι πιστὸν οὐδέν, εἰ μἡ περ λύκῳ κεχηνότι: Pac. 623, where they are αἰσχροκερδεῖς, as in the vehement denunciation of Sparta, Eur. Andr. 445-52.

309. έγκειμεθα-- 'are vehement against ': Thuc. 11. 59. 2, ένέκειντο τῷ Περικλες 'assailed': 1v. 22, 2, Κλεων πολύς ένέκειτο.

- 314. πόλλ' ἄν—' could in many ways show that there are points where they are even the aggrieved party' (Green): πολλά thus goes adverbially with ἀποφήναιμι, but I do not feel sure of the construction. It seems more natural to take πολλά as well as ἔσθ' ἄ with ἀδικουμένους: so Paley, 'some points and those not a few.' ἔσθ' ἄ—cognate accusative, 'in certain points': so ἔστιν ὧν, ἔστι παρ' οῖε, ἔστιν οῦε, ἔστιν ῷ etc. but εἰσιν οῖ. ἔστιν οῖ is found Xen. Cyr. h. 3, 18, and Anab. vi. 2, 6 (see Kuhner's note). κάδικουμένους—a good instance of καί emphatic, 'actually, even': see 309. Note that the present tense is used of past injuries, while the idea of wrong remains: Vesp. 1017, ἀδικεισθαί φησιν πρότερος, 'that he has suffered an unprovoked wrong.'
- 315 τούτο τούπος ..el--cl. Vesp. 426, τούτο μέντοι δεινον ήδη . el μαχούμεθα.
  - 317. καν γε...λέγειν-this is not strictly logical in expression, as he

was to speak over a block any way, but the meaning is clear enough.  $\mu\eta\delta\dot{\epsilon} \tau \hat{\psi} \pi\lambda\dot{\eta}\theta\epsilon\epsilon \delta \delta\kappa \hat{\omega}$ —'and do not satisfy the public' i.e. the chorus, call i  $\delta\eta\mu\sigma\epsilon$  626, with which  $\pi\lambda\dot{\eta}\theta\sigma\epsilon$  is often synonymous.

- 318. ἐπιξήνον -a block to chop meat on (schol.): Aesch Ag 1277, an executioner's block. την κεφαλήν is the reading of all manuscripts, lut, as it gives a dactyl in the fifth foot, editors look on it with suspicion, and suggest την δέρην, την σφάγην, τοῦ λάρυγγ' etc. This passage is said to be a parody of an incident in the Telephius, where the hero refuses to be sheat 'even if Agamemnoa held an axe ready to smite his neck.'
- 31r dπέ μοι a mere exclamation, with plural, like tθι, άγε, φέρε: cf. 328. Vesp. 403, είπε μοι τι μέλλομεν;
- 3 20. μη οὐ μη οὐ because the question im lies a negation, φείδομαι μη becoming οὐ φειδομαι μη οὐ: cf. Aesch. Prom. 627, τι δητα μέλλεις μη οὐ γεγωνίσκειν τὰ κῶν, so Soph Ord. Τητ. 1065, οὐκ ἄν πιθοίμην μη οὐ τάδ' ἐκμαθεῖν σαφῶς 'I will not be dissuaded from learning all': see Goodwin § 815, 2. καταξαίνειν commonly used in the metaphorical sense of tearing and crushing: Soph. Α΄, 728, κετροισι κῶς καταξανθείς. 'Here however,' says Mr Green, 'we have the double meaning of carding and combing into a red coat, and of maining and crushing into a bloody mass.' For τοῦτον ἐς Blayues reads τουτονι on the analogy of 301.
- 331. olov—'how,' as in 447. μέλας—there seems, as Merry says, a particular stress on μέλας, and the meaning may be, 'how your brack smouldering embers have blazed up in rage.' θυμάλωψ—glowing charcoal. The sound suggests θυμός: Soph. Oed. Col. 434, ὁπηνίκ' ἔξει θιμός, quoted by Green, who translates 'How herce, good colliers, your dark choier glows', cf. Eur. Iph. T. 987, δεινή τις δργή δαιμόνων επέξεσεν.
- 322. ἐτεόν—'really,' in questions and appeals, sometimes ironical as in 609. ἄχαρνηίδαι—'sons of the Acharmans,' a sonorous epoc title formed in Homeric fashion.
- 313. τάρα i.e. τοι άρα, so most editors for γ' άρα or γ' άρα: cf. Run. 253, δεινά τάρα πεισομεσθα. Av. 1225 efc.
- 325. τεθνήξων—from τέθνηκα are forme, two fatures τεθνήξω and τεθνήξομαι, meaning 'I shall be dead.' The active is the older form: of 1900; Aesch Ag 1279, τεθνήξομεν, where there can be no doubt of the reading. Thus τεθνήξεις should be read Vesp. 654, where the two best manuscripts R and V have τεθνήσει. For the construction of Aesch. As 1660, Γοθι δωσων etc. No instance is however given with ως.

- 327. Δε έχω γ see Blaydes for instances of Δε ... γε, e g. Vesp. 218. We have now a parody of a scene from the Telephus, when the hero approached the Grecian camp, begging relief from the wound inflicted by the spear of Achilles.
- 330. ἔνδον εἰρξας Dicaeopolis has turned to get the 'hostage' from his house, or filched it unperceived from one of the chorus; and his confident bearing alarms the Acharmans. 'πὶ τῷ 'on the strength of what?': Vesp. 317, ἐπὶ τῷ κομᾶς;
- 331. rourov!—holding up a coal-basket; as Telephus in the tragedy seized the child Orestes to compel the Greeks to pity him. So Mnesilochus, *Thesm.* 697, seizes a wine skin from the women who are assailing him, and holds its life as security.
- 335. ώς ἀποκτενώ—usually explained as 'being assured that,' so Nub. 209: Vesp. 416: cf. 325 and 333. In the latter ώs may be an exclamation. κέκραχθ'— Vesp. 198: Thesm. 692, κέκραχθι imper. of κέκραγα perf. with present sense. Blaydes thinks that we have here the plural κέκραχθε = κεκράγετε (Vesp. 415), like ἄνωχθε Hom. Od. xxii. 427: but the singular is quite in place, as in 366.
- 336. ὁμήλικα τόνδι the old coal basket (schol.). 'Will you then after all destroy my dear old coal loving mate here?' The basket is ὁμήλιξ or ήλιξ as having begun its basket life with the Acharnian's coilier life' (Green). For the absence of the article of 454, etc. and see note on 130.
- 338. τόν τε Λακ.—'and (say) with regard to the Lacedaemonian, that'etc. The reading is uncertain; but the position of τόν Λακεδαιμόνιον shows that it is most likely the subject of the following clause with δτι: for the construction cf. 117: 375.

  τῷ τρόπῳ—'to your temper' (bent, or character). Muller (with Enger) has τῳ τρόπῳ, 'in some way.' Otherwise we have ὅ τι τῷ τρόπῳ σούστὶ φιλον, 'even of the Lacedaemonian himself say whatever suits your humour' (Green).
- 343. ὅπως μή.. ἐγκάθηνται—ὅπως (μή) with the future is common in Anstophanes, e.g. 955. Here with a present indicative it expresses a suspicion and apprehension concerning a present ground of fear, 'I am afraid they now have stones hidden somewhere in their cloaks', see Goodwin § 282. ἐγκάθηνται—lurking in ambush, as it were.
  - 344. ἐκσέσεισται—sc ὁ τριβων, the leader speaking for the rest.
- 345. μή μοι πρόφασιν—Nub. 84, μή μοι γε τούτον: Vesp. ελης, μή μοι γε μυθους. βέλος 'tragoediam sapit' (Muller): cf. Vesp. 615.
  - 3+6. and The orpoon xopevourer and (schol-); this part of the

scene ending with a dance or rhythmical movement by the chorus towards the central thyme.e.

347. ἐμέλλετ' άρα comparing the other instances of έμελλον άρα cr dpa, Nub. 1301, Euchhor dpa de Kurhdeur: Vest, 460: han 268. ξμελλον άρα παύσειν, we get the meaning 'I knew you would, I thought I should make you,' lit. 'you were, it seems, after all going to ...' πάντως— 'anyway, certainly.' ανήσειν της βοής- 'to stop your shouting is read by most editors: cf. Pac 318, της βοής ανήσετε. Mr Green however retains avagelew Bohr in the sense of raising a noisy cry to save their coals, 'with exident reference to σειστός in the line before ' avacelw and its compounds are certainly used of threatening demonstrations; see Ltd. and Scott. Note however that Bon is used throughout of the shout of attack, as it is in the Wasps (e.g. 471). C, followed by Merry, reads avaseless Bods 'to wave your-cries' (instead of 'your hands') in token of submission, i.e. to cry out for a truce. cf. Thuc. iv. 38, 1, this xelpas avereuran, of the Spartans at Sphacteria. So Paley, who reads \$600. The rare plural \$600 occurs Soph Ant. 1021, and a is written over is, in the same hand, in the Ravenna manascript. Muller has ανησείν την βοην, which he seems to understand as 'to utter your cry, go on shouting,' but the words cannot bear this meaning.

348 ohiyou—se dein or déour es, 'all but' ef 381. Hapvijoue—from the forests of Mount Parnes, which still furnish wood for charcoal.

349. **Δτοπίων**—'queerness, unreasonableness'; elsewhere of things tather than persons. τῶν δημοτῶν 'of their fellow-townsmen'; τῶν has a possessive force as in 62.

350. ὑπὸ τοῦ δέους 50 581. τῆς μαρίλης συχυήν — Pac. 167, τῆς γης πολλήν. P.ut. 694, τῆς ἀθάρης πολλήν. so in prose ἡ ημισεία τῆς γῆς, αὶ ἡμισείαι τῶν νεῶν etc.

352. ὀμφακίαν—' ha sh, sour,' of wine made from untipe grapes (δμφακες).

354. Γσον ίσφ φέρον — that stands half and half' i.e admits of equal give and take. κεκραμένον is implied in the construction. This is said to be a metaphor, suggested by δμφακίαν, from wine which bears (φερεί) an equal admixture of water: Plut. 1132, οξιοι δε κυλικος Γσον Γσφ κεκραμένης: Εq. 1188, τὰ τρια φέρων καλώς, i.e. three parts of water to two of wine.

360. πόθος ὅ τι φρονεῖς -' longing for your meaning': Nub. 1392. τὰς καρδίας πηδῶν ὅ τι λεγει: Soph. Ο T. 74. λυπεῖ τὶ πρασσει: Α3. 794. ωστε μ' ωδινείν τὶ φής.

- 364. ήπερ.— ωσπερ, καθάπερ. Blaydes renders την δίκην 'ustituam'; but it is rather the trial of the issue as proposed by Dicaeopolis.
- 366 ίδου, θέασαι Dicaeopous brings the block: cf. Eq 997, lδού, θέασαι, where Cleon produces the oracles.
- 367. ούτοσι τυννουτοσί 'this little fellow here'. Nub. 878, παιδάριον τυννουτονί, 'only so big,' δεικτικώς (schol.). Ran 139, έν πλοιαρίω τυννουτωί, 'no bigger than that.'
- 368. ἀμέλει—— 'in truth,' 'rest assured' (Blaydes), with an assertion, as in Nub. 422 and 488. ούκ ἐνασπιδώσομα. 'enshield myself' (Paley): ού παρασκευάσομαι ἐπιπολύ, as the scheliast explains.
- 370-5. Tous Te yap Tou T' au the country people are so concerted that any praise, however exaggerated, of the mother city delights them, and the old citizens are so crabbed and cross that one is pretty certain to be condemned by them in the law courts if one says a word against Athens' (Paley).
- 373. **καί δίκαια κάδικα**. Eq. 256, κεκραγώς καί δικαια κάδικα. Nub. 99, λέγοντα νικάν καί δίκαια κάδικα. We use the disjunctive expression 'tight or wrong.'
- 374. ἀπεμπολώμενοι—so Creon inveighing against soothsayers (Soph. Ant. 1036) says,

# των σ' ύπαι γένους

έξημπόλημαι κάκπεφόρτισμαι πάλαι.

- Cf. Pac. 633, τον τρόπον πωλούμενος τον αὐτον οὐκ ἐμάνθανεν. Plant. Bacch. iv. 6. 16, o stalte stude, nescis nanc venire te. cf. Shakespeare, Ruh. III. v. 3, 305, 'Dickon thy master is bought and sold.'
- 375. τῶν τ' αι γερόντων—i.e. the dicasts, before whom he might be dragged by Cleon. Here and in 377 Dicaeopolis speaks for the poet himself.
- 376. βλέπουσι. δακείν 'look to, long for': so Vesp. 847, τιμῶν βλέπω. δάκνω is not uncommon in the sense of hurting or galling; cf. 325; Vesp. 778.
  - 377. αύτός τ' έμαυτόν For the construction cf. Nub. 145, άνήρετ' άρτι Χαιρεφώντα Σωκράτης ψύλλαν όπόσους άλλοιτο τούς αὐτῆς πόδας.
- υπό Κλέωνος άπαθον Aesch. Prone. 104s, πάσχειν κακώς ὑπ' έχθρών: το κακώς άκούω, πληγάς λαμβάνω, and other such virtual passives are constructed with ὑπό or πρός: αίσθόμενος ὑπ' αὐτομολων is the reading of all the manuscripts, Thue. v. 2, 2.

- 378. την πέρυσι κωμφδίαν (Vesp. 1044) the Babylonians, see Introduction
- 379. is το βουλευτήρεου—the βουλή had certain judicial functions, the chief of which was to receive denunciations (είσαγγελία) of offences for which no special penalty was provided by law. The senate could inflict a penalty or send the case before the courts.
- 380. κατεγλώττιζέ μου—'bemonthed me': Eq. 351, κατεγλωττισμένη, of the city which was cowed by Cleon's tongue.
- 381. κάκυκλοβόρει Eq. 137, Κυκλοβόρου φωνήν έχων: Vesp. 1034. φωνήν δ' είχεν χαράδρας δλεθρον τετοκυίας. Cycloborus was 'the name of a torrent which in wet weather descends from Lycabettus and passes through the city of Athens with a load roar' (C.). κάπλυνεν—'drenched with abuse': Dem. 10 Boeot. 997 § 11, άλλήλους πλυνούμεν (the speech is rather rough and ready, not to say slangy, in style). In Plat. Eathyd. 277 D, we have μεεράκιον βαπτιζόμενον, 'being drowned' (with questions).
- 382. μολυνοπραγμονούμενος— from μολύνω to defile, formed like πολωπραγμονώ. The sense is 'involved in dirty quarrels or processes.'
- 384. ἐνσκευάσασθαι— Ran. 523, ἀτιή σε παίζων 'Ηρακλέα' νεσκευασα. B.aydes reads ἐνσκευασ' ἐμαυτόν, as the mildle by itself means to dress one's self and the μ' is of ose. οἶον ἀθλιώτατον—to excite compass on in his trial, cf. sordes, sordidatus. For the adjective cf. 'Πρακλέα above, otherwise one might expect the adverb. This verse occurs again 1.436, where it is quite out of place.
- 385. τί ταῦτα στρέφει—cl. Plat. Phaedr. 236 Ε, τί δητ' έχων στρέφει; 'why all this shaffing?' id. Lach 196 Β, στρέφεται άνω καὶ κάτω. Blaydes reads στρέφεις with two inferior minuscripts; cf. Eur. Ηπ. 750, τί στρέφω τάδε; πορίζεις—Blaydes says 'legenium τοριζει,' citing Καπ. 880, πορίσασθαι ρήματα. On the other hand we have Vesp. 365, έκπδριζε μηχανήν: 859, εὖ γ' έκποριζεις αὐτά: 1113, εκπορίζομεν βιον. τριβάς—'delays': Soph. Απ. 577, μή τριβάς ετ'.
- 389. ἐμοῦ γ' ἔνεκα—'for aught I care,' per me. Dem. Lept. 461 § 12, οὐδὲ γὰρ εἰ πάνυ χρηστός ἐσθ', ὡς ἐμοῦ γ' ἔνεκ' ἔστω: cf. 958. παρ' Ἱερωνύμου a shaggy-haired poet, according to the scholast, or one who used frightful masks. He is supposed to be 'the son of Xenophontus' (Nub. 348) · cf. Eccl. 201, 'Apγειος ἀμαθής, ἀλλ' Ἱερωνυμος σοφός. 'The bombastic character of epithets which he used in his hithyrambic poems is ridiculed in the long adjective, which resembles the σφραγιδονυχαργοκομήτας of Nub. 332' (Metry)
  - 390. "Ailos Kuviju-'cap of darkness,' which made one invisible :

Hom. IL v. 845, 'Αθήνη | δεν' "Αϊδος κυνέην μή μιν έδοι ὅμβριμος "Αρης: cf Hes. Stut 227, "Αίδος κυνέη νυκτός ζόφον αίνὸν ἔχουσα. Plat. Rep. 612 Β, ἐὰν ἔχη τὸν Γύγου δακτύλιον και την "Αίδος κυνήν.

- 391. Σισυφου—Hom. II. vi. 153, Σίσυφοι, δε κέρδιστος γένετ' ἀνδρῶν, 'the craftiest of men': so Aeschines calls his great rival ὁ Σισυφος βδε (Fals. leg. 254 § 33). Hence Hor. Sat. ii. 3, 21, vafer ille Sisyphus.
- 392. áyav ovros—the trial or debate is a regular feature in the Aristophanic comedy. It comes in between the parodos of the chorus and the parabasis: cf. Vesp. 533 It marks the turning point in the play, and usually ends in establishing the poet's views and demolishing his opponent's.
- 393. **ἄρα στιν.. λαβείν**—50 *Vesp.* 346, ἄρα σοι ζητείν: 648, ἄρα ζητείν σοι etc.
- 394. βαδιστέ' ἐστίν cf. 480: Nub. 717, οὐ μαλθακιστέ ἀλλὰ περικαλυπτέα. See Classen's note on the use of the impersonal neuter plural by Thucydides (i. 7, 1, πλωιμωτέρων ὅντων). ώς Εὐριπίδην—some change in the scenery is now perhaps made and the house of Euripides is shown; see however note on 174. In the following scene we have a tissue of tragic parody and Euripidean phrase. Aristophanes has the happiest touch in making fun of the poet's mannerisms and sub-leties of style and in burlesquing his tragic situations.
- 395. wat wat—Ran. 37, was blow, wat, hal, wat, when Dionysus is calling on Heracles. The servant is called Cephisophon in the manuscripts and scholia, as the slaves in the Kinghts were called Nicias and Demosthenes. Cephisophon was an actor, and (some say) assisted Euripides in writing: see Ran. 944, 1408
- 396. οὐκ ἔνδον κ.τ.λ. cf. Eur. Alc. 521, ἔστιν τε κοὐκ ἔτ' ἔστιν: Or. 904, 'Apγείοs οὐκ 'Apγείοs · Troad. 1223, θανεῖ γὰρ οὐ θανοῦσα: see Blaydes for many other passages.
- 398. ὁ νοῦς μὲν ἔξω ' there is severe satire in the notion of a man composing tragedy while his mind is far away' (Paley) ξυλλέγων— Ran. 849, ξυλλέγων μοσφόλας ib. 841, στωμιλισσυλλεκτάδη: he is not even allowed originality. ἐπύλλια—' versicles,' a contemptions direction of Pac. 5921 Ran. 942.
  - 399. avaßabny upstairs' as the scholast explains, or with his

legs up': cf. προβαδην, ὁρθοστάδην etc, words denoting posture, see 409, 411; cf. Plut. 1123.

- 401. σοφῶς—Euripides was distinctively σοφός, logical and philosophical, and σοφός is a favourite word of h.s., as Aristophanes perpetually reminds us. Thus Dionysus hesitates to decide between his claims and those of Aeschylus with the words τον μέν γὰρ ἡγοῦμαι σοφὸν τῷ δ' ἤδομαι, Ran. 1413; and the enlightened son beats his father for not liking Euripides though σοφώτατον, Nub. 1378 ὑποκρίνεται ἐενριαίης, interprets, ' Vesp. 53, οθτως ὑποκρινόμενον σοφῶς δνειρατα. Muller says 'answers,' but this should be ἀποκρινέται (as Blaydes reads) in Att.e; see Liddell and Scott. Euripides prides himself on his talking wives and slaves and virgins (Ran. 949).
- 402. άλλ' ὅμως—so 956: Europhies is rather foud of this combination, e.g. Εί. 753, ἥκουσα κάγω τηλόθεν μεν άλλ' ὅμως.
- 401. Εὐριπίδιον—a coaxing diminative, like παππιδιον, Vesp. 655: έρωτικάς μιμείται φωνάς, says the scholiast: cf. Nub. 222, ω Σωκρατες, ω Σωκρατίδιον: ib. 80 etc.
- 405. ὑπάκουσον 'answer my call': Vesp. 273: often of the doce keeper, as in Plat. Crito 43 A: Act. Apost. xii. 13.
- 406. Χολλείδης from a deme belonging to the tribe Aegeis or Leontis, near Hymettus. Muller, assuming from line 34 that Dicaeo polis was an Acharnian, agrees with the scholast that he now calls himself Χολλείδης with a pun on χωλός, 'ad misericordiam Euripidis move idam', 'a wards nan of Cripplegate,' as Merry suggests.
- 408. ἀλλ' ἐκκυκλήθητ' 'do be wheeled out,' even if you can't come down. The ἐκκύκλημα was a machine or small stage on wheels, which was brought forward to show the interior of houses. Here 'it is pushed forward, and exhibits Enripides in an elevated position' below, his servant and a profuse display of tattered garments' (Mitchell).
- 409. καταβαίνειν—either from my couch or from upstairs, according as καταβαδην is understood.
- 410. Alakas in the sense of loud utterance this is a tragic word, common in Europides, and used by Aristophanes when he assumes a tragic style, e.g. Plut. 39,

τι δήτα Φοίβος έλακεν έκ των στεμμάτων;

411. oùx érôs—'not without reason.' 'No wonder your heroes are lame, when you yourself can't get down from your sola'; or 'if they are created at the top of a break neck stair.' Philochetes, Telephus and Bellerophon were lame characters, and so Aeschylus calls Europhes.

- a cripple-monger (χωλοποιόν), as well as a beggar-maker and a ragstatcher, Ran, 842 sq., cf. ib. 1063. ποιείς—sc. έν ποιήσει.
- 415. τοῦ παλαιοῦ δράματος 'of that old play of yours,' so the Telephus (Blaydes); see note on Vesp. 449, τοὺς βότρις 'those grapes.' The Telephus was first represented in 438, 13 years back. Instead of τοῦ, του is read by some, but it does not suit the sense so well, for Dicaeopolis had his eye already on a particular set of rags.
- 416. βήσιν μακράν—the poet being given to long prologues and long speeches.
- 418. τὰ ποῖα see note on 963. Olvevs—Ocneus king of Calydon was driven in old age from his throne. 
  δδί—pointing to a suit of rags in which Ocneus had appeared.
  - 419. nywvijero-i.e. on the stage.
- 421. Tuphou Polvikos—according to the legend that Phoenix was blinded by his father Amyntor whom he had offended, his sight was afterwards restored by Chiron.
- 423. λακίδας.. πέπλων Aesch. Pers. 835, λακιδες έσθημάτων Choeph. 28, ύφασμάτων λακίδες.
- 424. dh. i-generally 'asking a question in hope of a negative answer' (Neil on Eq. 953) Here however it suggests mere doubt and expectation; and so I think in Plat. Gorg. 447 A, while in Vesp. 8, we have a question of surprise and expostulation.
- 425. πτωχιστέρου from πτωχίς, 'wohl nur kon..sch' (Krüger, Gr. 23. 1, 8), so λαλίστερα (Ram. 91): also from substantives in ης ποτίσταται (Thesm. 735), κλεπτίστατος (Plut. 27). Sophocles makes the Greeks leave Philocetees, βάκη προθέντες βαιά (Phil 274), and generally depicts him in a state of disconsiort which Euripides could scarcely have surpassed.
- 428. οὐ Βελλεροφόντης—Dicaeopolis by a sort of attraction 'echoes the word in the same case' (Green): so Τήλεφον below. κάκεινος—'ille quem dico' (Biaydes), 'my man.' προσαιτών—the regular word for begging, so 452. Bellero; hon was lamed by his fail from Pegasus, on whose back he tried to go up to heaven, and it would seem that he was represented by the poet in misery and rags.
- 434. μεταξύ τῶν Ἰνοῦς—i e. between (the rags of Thyestes and)
  Ino's: so Αν. 187, ἐν μέσψ γῆς (sc. καὶ οὐρανοῦ): cf. Thuc. iii. 51, 3, ἐν τὸ μεταξύ τῆς νησου (καὶ Νισατας): and Shilleto's note Dem. Fals.
  leg 392 § 181, τὸν μεταξύ χρόνον τοῦ ἀπολαβεῖν. We find Ino as one of the poet's 'sallow heroines,' Vesp. 1414.

435. δώπτα-holding the ragged vesture full of holes up to the

Light. The line may be a parody of  $\vec{\omega}$  Ze $\vec{v}$   $\pi a \nu \delta \pi \tau a$   $\kappa$ .  $\tau$ .  $\lambda$ . from some tragedy. Line 384 is here repeated in the manuscripts; but it is tracketed or left out by most editors, as  $\vec{\omega}$  Ze $\vec{v}$   $\kappa$   $\tau$ .  $\lambda$ . is not a prayer

438. τάκόλουθα-'accompaniments.' with genutive, as in Soph.

Oed Col 719; the dative construction is more common.

- 439. 70 mix(8.09 'the bit cappie'; he wants all the beggarly equipments of Telephas, which he mostly describes with deprecatory during tives.
- 440. δεῖ γάρ με κτ.λ—two lines from the *Telephus*, says the scholast. The Mysian prince Telephus entered the Greek camp in leggar's guise in order to win compassion.
- at allusion to the want of connexion of Europides' choral odes with the subject of the play. It may be so. Any way the chorus in a play would not be supposed to penetrate a disguise which might be obvious to the audience. So now the chorus were to think that it was only Dicaeopolis, and not the poet himself, who was pleading the cause of the Spartans
- 444. βηματίοις Εφ 216, ὑπογλυκαίνων βηματίοις μαγειρικοίς. 'telling catch-phrases in popular oratory' (Neil): cf. Vesp. 668, τούτοις τοις βηματίοις περιπεφθείς. σκιμαλίσω—'flout' with an insulting gesture; so Pac. 549.
- 445. πυκυή—'prudent, clever': 'vox Socraticis usitatissima, ut et λεπτόν' (B.aydes). This verse like many that follow is tragic parody or quotation, 'Thou schemest subtle plans with prudent mind.'
- 446 εὐδαιμονοίης bless you, expressing gratitude as Eur. El. 231, εὐδαιμονοίης, μισθὸν ἡδίστων λόγον: cf. 457, where the blessing comes in as he gets the basket. The scholiast cites from the Telephus, καλῶς ἔχοιμι, Τηλέφω δ' ἀγὰ φρονῶ (sc. γενοιτο or the like): Telephus he I won't say what '(Paley).
- 447. olov—321, 817. ήδη κ.τ λ.—the effect of the tragic vesture is felt at once, in an aptitude for diminutives and nice distinctions. Note the force of the present tense, like that of the imperfect Fesp. 638, ηθξανόμην 'I felt myself growing taller.'
- 448. ἀτὰρ. γε -Nub. 801, ἀτὰρ μέτειμί γ' αὐτόν: 1220, ἀτὰρ ουδέποτέ γε: Thesm. 207, ἀτὰρ ἡ πρόφασίς γε: Aesch. Prom. 1011, ἀτὰρ σφοδρύνει γ'.
- 450. & θύμ' 50 480 : Eq. 1194 · Vesp. 756, σπεὐδ' & ψυχή : Hom.

   Α. ΧΧ. 18, τέτλαθι δή, κραδιη.
  - 452. YALOXPOS-'importunate' lit. 'sticking.' In later Greek the

word comes to mean greedy and niggardly and so poor and shabby; bence the scholast's explanation ταπεινός κόλαξ. 

λυπαρῶν—' obnixe petens' (Muller).

453. σπυρίδιον Paley and Merry understand a sort of wickerwork lamp-shade with a hole burnt in it; but 469 rather suggests an ordinary basket damaged by accident.

454.  $\pi\lambda \acute{\epsilon}\kappa oug - Fac.$  528,  $\acute{\epsilon}\chi \theta \rho o\hat{\nu} \phi \omega r \acute{\nu}s \ \acute{\epsilon}\chi \theta \iota \sigma \tau ov \ \pi\lambda \acute{\epsilon}\kappa os.$   $\chi \rho \acute{\epsilon}os$  is here used for need =  $\chi \rho \epsilon la$ .

457. ώσπερ ή μήτηρ-see 478.

- 458. μάλλά—sc. μἡ (τοῦτο λέξης) ἀλλα, 'O not but': cf. Ran. 103, 745, 752, μάλλά τλεῦν ἢ μαίνομαι. Less easy to explain is μή with the indicative to express emphatic definal after an oath, which occurs Av. 195: Eccl. 1000: Lys. 917 (μὰ τὴν Αφροδίτην μἡ ἐγώ σε ἀφήσω): so Hom. Il. κ. 330 etc.: see Monro's Hom. Gr. § 358.
  - 459. κοτυλίσκιον-' a little cup with the lip (rim) knocked off.'

460. φθείρου-like έρρε 'be off'; Plut. 598, 610.

- 461. οὖπω κ.τ.λ.—M.tchell understands this line of the bad morality which the poet taught: Blaydes, with the scholiast, refers it to his dreary characters, 'molestiam suam eo excusat Dicaeopolis quod molestus ipse sit Euripides.' Does οὖπω suggest a veiled threat of coming castigation, while the words are seemingly innocent, 'you don't know yet what harm you are doing' (by refusing me)?
- 464. την τραγωδίαν 'all my tragedy,' its essence being its beggarly properties and externals; cf. 470.
- 465. ταυτηνί—sc. την χύτραν. For the line of. Αυ. 948, ἄπελθε τουτονί λαβών. Π. άπέρχομαι.
- 469. **Ισχνά φυλλεία**—τὰ ἀπολεπίσματα τῶν λαχάνων (schol ), refuse outside leaves.
- 470. 1800 or 'there, take it': 1800 is practically an adverb and so accentuated.
- 472. οὐ δοκῶν κ.τ.λ.—from the Oeneus, according to the scholast, or the Telephus The κοίρανοι are the Greek chieftains to whom the hero in disguise addresses himself; and thus Euripides is complimented by calling him a prince.
- 474. ἐν ῷπερ—Αυ. 1677, ἐν τῷ Τριβαλλῷ πῶν τὸ πρῶγμα: Lys. 32, ἔστ' ἐν ἡμῶν τῆς πόλεως τὰ πράγματα: Thac. i. 74, 1, ἐν ταῖς ναυσὶ τῶν Ἑλλήνων τὰ πράγματα ἐγένετο.
- 478. σκάνδικα...μητρόθεν Aristophanes is always jeering at Euripides as 'the son of an herb-seller,' may more a seller of wild potherbs: see Thesm. 387, τοῦ Εὐριπίδου τοῦ τῆς λαχανοπωλητρίας:

th 455, άγρια γὰρ ἡμᾶς, ὧ γυναῖκες, δρᾶ κακὰ | ἄτ' ἐν ἀγρίοισε τοῖς λαχάνοις αὐτὸς τραφείς. So Aeschylus addresses h.m in indignation ἄληθες; ὧ παὶ τῆς ἀρουραίας θεοῦ (Ran. 840). Possibly such humble plants as σκάνδιξ (chervil) and τεῦτλον (beet) had been mentioned somewhere in his plays; cf. 894; and Εγ. 19, where the offer to speak κομψευρικῶς provokes the protest μή μοί γε, μἡ διασκανδικίσης (see Ne.l's note on the plant). Any way the sneer has been generally taken for serious fact. Pluny however (N. Hist. xxii. 22 (38), 80) assumes that it was a mere gibe: speaking of scandix he says, have est quam Aristophanes Euripidi poetae obicit ioculariter: matrem eras ne olas quidem legitimum nenditasse sed scandicem.

479. **πηκτά δωμάτων** 'the barriers of the halls,' i.e. the house duot: Ε.τ. Ετ. 1005, λθε πακτά δωμάτων: cf. Vesp. 128, έπακτώσαμεν: Lys. 265, τὰ προπιλαία πακτούν: Soph. Aj. 579, καὶ δώμα πάκτοι.

The door is now shat, and the ἐκκύκλημα drawn back : cf. Thesm. 265, είσω τις ώς τάχιστά μ' είσκυκλησατω.

- 480. ἐμπορευτέα—' thou must go thy way ': Soph El. 405, ποι δ' ἐμπορεύει; the sense of 'travelling' for merchandise, 'thou must go to market,' which Blaydes suggests as possible, seems confined to prose.
- 483. γραμμή 'starting point' or rather line: dρχή, άφετηρία, ή λεγομένη βαλβίς (schol). 'This is the scratch and up to it you must come' (Green).
- 484. ξοτηκας;—he finds his soul jibbing like a restive horse and refusing to move **où κ.l.** 'won't you start?' This meaning seems certain; but Muller unaccountably takes εl from εlμl and connects it with καταπιών as a periphrastic perfect, a construction almost confined to perfect participles (e.g. Aesch. Ag. 1051). καταπιών Εθριπίδην and therefore inspired with his logic and power of piteous appeal; of Vesp 380, την ψιχην έμπλησάμενος Διοπειθούς, i.e. with his frantic courage.
- 485. ἐπήνεσ'—'bravo! that's right': Soph. Aj. 536, ἐπήνεσ' ἐργον, 'I approve your act.' Quite different is κάλλωτ', ἐπαινῶ (Ran. 508), 'thank you,' a polite refusal, Lat. beingne. For the aorist of Eq. 696, ἣσθην ἀπειλαϊς, 'I like your threats,' where Neil notes that 'aorists of instantaneous action' are almost confined to dramatists.' The Greek idiom is really more exact than ours, e.g. τι τοῦτ' ἐλεξας, i e. at the moment when you spoke.
  - 486. incive inci to the extensor (366).
- 487. είπουσ'— the tense is unsatisfactory; Blaydes reads είπε θ'.

  Muller defends the text by Nub. 1062, και μ' Εξιλεγξον είπων: see also

Jowett on Thuc. iv. 112, 1, ἐμβοήσαντα = δι ἐνεβόησε. In ἄττ' ἄν αὐτῷ σοι δοκῷ Muller sees an allusion to the irrelevance of the poet's style.

489. ἄγαμαι καρδίας - well done, heart!: Αυ. 1744, άγαμαι λόγων: Eur. Rhes. 245, άγαμαι λήματος: Dem de Cor. 296, § 204 τις οὐκ ἀν ἀγάσαιτο τῶν ἀνδρῶν τῆς ἀρετῆς;

495. **τρέμει**— Εq. 265, τρέμων τὰ πράγματα: Soph. Oed. Col. 256, τὰ ἐκ θεῶν τρέμοντες.

497. μή μοι κ.τ.λ. -- the scholiast quotes from the Telephus, μή μοι φθονήσητ', ἄνδρες Ἑλλήνων ἀκροί, εἰ πτωχὸς ῶν τέτληκ' ἐν ἐσθλοῖσιν λέγειν.

'The speech of Dicaeopolis is doubtless a parody throughout of a famous phots in the Telephus, in which he pleaded his cause before the Greek chieftains. These photos were recited at hanquets, even, it would seem, after a family dinner (Nub. 1365), so the audience would be able to follow and appreciate the parody' (C). For the use of φθονώ cf. Lys. 649, εἰδ' ἐγὼ γυνὴ πέφυκα τοῦτο μὴ φθονεῖτέ μοι: Εq. 580, μὴ φθονεῖθ' ἡμῶν κομῶσι.

498. ξπειτα—'then,' i.e. though πτωχόs: cf. 126: Av. 29. Does the repeated mention of the speaker's beggarly state, as in 558 and 578, suggest that the humbler citizens were overawed by the powerful war party?

501. δεινά μέν-Νυδ. 1462, πονηρά γ', ω Νεφέλαι, δίκαια δέ.

503. ξένων παρόντων—the Babylonians being performed at the Great Dionysia, about the end of March, when the allied cities paid their tribute and numbers of strangers were in Athens.

504. aὐτοί—' by ourselves, alone': Thesm. 472, αὐταὶ γαρ ἐσμεν: Vesp. 255, ἄπιμεν οἰκαδ' αὐτοί. οὐπὶ Ληναίω τ' ἀγών—this is the Lenaean contest. ἐπί—i.e. 'at': Dem. Meid. 517, § 10, ἡ ἐπὶ Ληναίω πομπὴ καὶ οἱ τραγωδοὶ καὶ οἱ κωμωδοί. 'The Λήναιον was a large precinct surrounding a temple in the valley on the S.E. side of the acropolis close to the Dionysiac theatre; where the plays were performed. The sacrifices and other ceremonies would take place in and before the temple of Dionysus Lenaeus' (C).

507. περιεπτισμένοι—' cleared from the husks,' or, as Paley understands it, cleared from straw, etc., i.e. free from the foreign visitors. If the following line be genuine it would seem that the word does not imply the removal of all the chaff.

508 rovs yap metolkous axupa k.t. A. - there is no reason to suppose that the metolkou who were resident in Athens would be

excluded from the Lenaean festival; we must therefore infer the meaning to be that though the μέτοικοι might indeed be there, one need not mind their presence as they would be only a little chaff naturally left among the grain. This is not quite satisfactory, as the first and obvious meaning of the words is that the μέτοικοι were winnowed out; and Meiseke may be right, with Vaickenaer and Dobree, in omitting the line. It may have been added by a well meaning commentator, who took μετοικουs to mean strangers in a general way.

509. έγω δὲ μισῶ μέν 'now I indeed hate' etc. μέν is answere! by ἀτάρ below, suggesting an objection 'still.'

510. Ποσειδών ..σείσας—see Thuc. 1. 128, 1, οἱ Λακεδαιμόνιοι ἀναστήσαντές ποτε ἐκ τοῦ ἱεροῦ τοῦ Ποσειδώνος ἀπὸ Ταινάρου τῶν Εἰλώτων ἰκέτας ἀπαγαγόντες διεφθειραν, δι' ὁ δὴ καὶ σφίσιν αὐτοῖς νομίζουσι τὸν μέγαν σεισμὸν γενέσθαι ἐν Σπάρτη. The great earthquake was in 466. We hear too of frequent earthquakes in Greece in 427 and 426. Thuc. τιὶ 87, 4. 89, 4. Earthquakes in general were attributed to Poseidon, hence his epithets ἐννοσίγαιος, ἐνοσίχθων etc.

512. άμπέλια κεκομμένα—cf 232, 987.

513. οἱ παρόντες ἐν λόγφ—cl. Αυ. 30, ἡμεῖς γάρ, ὧνδρες οἰ παρόντες ἐν λόγφ. τὶ ταῦτα τούς—so Thesm. 473, τὶ ταῦτ ἔχουσαι κεῖνον αἰτιώμεθα;

515-530 The Megarian affair was one of the smaller incidents which precipitated the outbreak of the war. In 445 the Megarians, who had been in alliance with Athens for some fourteen years (Thuc. i. 103, 4), revolted and cut to pieces the Athenian garrison: this was shortly before the thirty years truce (ib. 114, 1). This secession was most injurious to Athenian interests, as it left Athens open to an invasion from Peloponnesus; hence there was a very bitter animosity against Megala. We have no authentic history of the intervening yea's; but in 433 we find the Megarians at the Peloponnesian conference complaining, besides other things, that they were excluded 'contrary to the treaty' from all traffic within the limits of the Athenian empire (Thac. i. 67, 4). When the Spartan envoys came to Athens in 432 they strongly arged the abrogation of the 'decree about the Megarians,' int mating that war might thus be averted. The Athenians however dominated by Perioles refused, charging the Megarians with 'encroachment on sacred and border lands and receiving runaway slaves' (Thuc. i. 139, 2). Thucydales does not tell us when 'the decree' was

passed or by whom. Plutarch (Per. cc. 29, 30) gives a connected story, somewhat on the lines of Aristophanes, that after the Meganan

appeal to Sparta, while negotiations were still on foot, the death of an Athenian envoy Anthemocritus was laid to the charge of the Megarians. Thereupon, on the motion of Charmus, a new decree was made against them in the severest terms: this may have been in 434. Plutarch adds that the Megarians disclaimed the envoy's murder, and in later days cited Aristophanes, χρώμενοι τοῖς περιβοήτοις καὶ δημώδεσι τούτοις έκ τῶν Αχαρνέων στιχιδίοις, to show that Pericles and Aspasia forced on the war from personal hostility.

- 515. ούχλ την πόλιν λέγω-'not the state, mind you'; for it was for 'disparaging the state' (503) that he had been attacked (Green) He wishes also to show that it was personal spite which brought on the war.
- 517. ανδράρια—cf. ανθρωπάριον (Plut. 416). Here the diminutive is contemptuous, like ανθρώπιον, which is more common, and ανδρίον παρακεκομμίνα-'ill-struck,' like counterfeit coin, 'ill (Pac. 51). minted'; cf. Ran 731, τοις πονηροίς χαλκίοις (coppers), χθές τε καί πρώην κοπείσι τώ κακίστω κόμματι: Lucian adv. indoct. 49 (58), 2, δσα κίβδηλα καὶ νόθα καὶ παρακεκομμένα.
- 518. παράσημα- spuriously stamped': Dem. Timoir. 766 § 213, νόμισμα παρασημον: id. de Cor. 307 & 242, παράσημος βήτωρ. παράξενα - 'false and foreign'; aliens, to drop the metaphor, in the guise of citizens. Charges of Eerla or usurping the rights of citizens were frequent: see note on Vesp. 718, ξενίας φεύγων: At. Rep. Ath. 59, 3, ypa pal Errias.
- 510. xhavlokia-'cf. Xen. Mem. ii. 7, 6, Meyapéwi ol aheistoi άπὸ έξωμιδοποίας διατρέφονται. The mountains near Megara afforded abundant pasturage of sheep. Wool was therefore cheap. The cloaks were of a common kind, the same as those mentioned Pia. 1002, δουλοισι χλανισκιδίων μικρών, among the goods which peace would allow to be imported' (C).
- 521. χόνδρους άλας—salt in lumps; so Elmsley for χόνδρους άλός, R having χόνδρας άλας. 'There are still extensive salt pits by the seashore near Megara, as in Pliny's time (N. Hist. XXXI. 7, 41)' (C).
- 522. ταῦτ' ήν κ.τ.λ.—'all this (the informers asserted) was Megarian and had been sold (in an Athenian mart) that very day.' Or do the last words mean, 'and it was forthwith solit' (as confiscated property), the pluperfect implying the prompt completion of the act (see 542)?

523. darx mora - 'local' or 'ordinary; cf. 832.

525. μεθυσοκοτταβοι—the mention of the κότταβος is appropriate

as levers drew from it auguries as to their success, και εί μέν χυθή τοῦ οίνοῦ, έντκα και ήδει ὅτι φιλεῖται ὑπὸ τῆς έρωμένης: εί δὲ μὴ, ἐττᾶτο (scho). Pac. 343): cf. Eur. Pleisthenes (Fr. 624), πολὺς δὲ κοσσάβων ἀραγμος Κιπριδος προσωδόν ἀχεῖ μέλος ἐν δομοισιν: see Athen. xv. 668 Β

516. πεφυσιγγωμένου φυσιγξ is the stalk or outer sk n of garlie, which we see from 521 was a Megarian product. The sense is 'primed for fighting'; cf. 166: also Pac. 502, πρώτοι γάρ αὐτὴν τοῖτ σκοροδοιτ ἡλεί ματε, of the Megarians who first flouted Peace.

527. 'Aσπασίας—the genitive according to Eimsley depends on the verb; so with the simple κλέπτω. Eq. 1149. ἄττ' ἄν κεκλόφωσί μου etc. The Corinth scandal has some resemblance to the dνδραπόδων ἐποδοχήν τῶν ἀφισταμένων of which the Athenians really complained (Th. c. i. 139, 2).

528. κατερράγη— Eq. 644, παϊν ὁ πόλεμος κατερράγη: Thue, 1. 66, 2, ὁ πόλεμος ξυνερρώγει, of a general outbreak. The war might have been postponed, though not averted, but for the unyielding attitude of l'ericles. The Indicrous account of ais motives here given seems to have been taken for serious history in later days: so was the accusation in the Peace, that he feared to be implicated in the charges against Pheidias, and so 'set the city in a blaze,'

έμβαλών σπινθήρα μικρόν Μεγαρικού ψηφισματος

(606 611).

- 530. ὀργη -Thuc. v. 70. ὀργη χωροῦντες: id. vii. 68, 1, ὀργη προσμέξωμεν. οὐλύμπιος—'this surname, given to Pericles for his munificence, power, or eloquence, leads on to ήστραπτ', ἐβρόντα, as qualities of Homer's 'Ολύμπιος ἀστεροπητής' (Green). So the comic poets called Aspasia his Here, his Omphale, and Helen.
- 531 ἤστραπτ' κ.τ.λ.—see Sandys' note on Cie. Or. 9. 29, Pericles ab Aristophane poeta fulgere tonare permiscere Graeciam dictus. So in the Wasps we have the dicast claiming the attributes of Zeus, alov βροντὰ τὸ δικαστήριον...κῶν ἀστράψω ποππύζουσιν (621—6): cf. ib 67t, of Cleon, δώσετε τον φόρον ἢ βροντήσας τὴν πόλιν ὑμάν ἀνατρέψω.
- 532. Κοπερ σκόλια like the σκόλιον of Timocreon of Rhodes, ώφελει, ω τιφλέ πλοθτε μήτε γή μήτ' έν θαλασση, μήτ' έν ήπειρφ φανήναι κτλ Thucydiaes, as we have seen, simply refers to the decree of exclusion. Plutarch says that on the death of Authomocritus Chairmus decreed, ασπονδον είναι και ακήρωκτον έχθραν, that any Megarian entering Attica should be put to death, and that the στρατή of should swear to invade Megaris twice every year. This is in the true

republican style; like 'Lyons made war on Liberty: Lyons is no more.'

- 535. βάδην—'by mches,' like the Latin pedetemptim, of which the prevailing use is metaphorical (Green).
- 538. ούκ ήθέλομεν κ.τ.λ.—cf. Thuc. i. 139, 2, ol δέ 'Αθηναΐοι οδτε τάλλα ὑπήκουον οδτε τὸ ψήφισμα καθήρουν: also the words of Pericles, ib. 140-7. δεομένων—sc. αὐτών, Goodwin § 848.
- 540. έρει τις, ου χρην—from the Telephus again, like 543 and 555.
- 541. dep el K. T. A. the sense of the passage is plan enough. Would you not have resented promptly the slightest injury to your most insignificant dependency? But ἐκπλεύσας σκάφει combined with φήνας is a little obscure, causing Müller to read κλέψας, and Meineke onivar 'quem bland mentis demulsum ad se allexerat'; while other ed tors propound sundry other rather absurd conjectures. C. however says; 'It is difficult to conceive that any transcriber would have altered the common word alters to the rarer offers. I take the text to be perfectly genuine and the explanation to be this: Before a foreign vessel was allowed to unload her cargo, or even moor alongside the quay, a custom-house officer went out in a boat and examined the cargo to ascertain the amount of duty payable by the owner. If he found among the cargo any article not included in the bill of lading, he had a right to denounce it as contraband, seize and sell it. If he exceeded his powers, the injured owner would appeal to his country for redress.' Dr Merry gives the same view as approved by Dr Reid. This makes sense at any rate: if it be not accepted, Blaydes' original suggestion έσπλείσαν σκάφει, i.e. 'brought into (a Peloponnesian) harbour,' is tempting, ἐσπλέω being often used of things imported; e.g. Thac. .v. 27, 1, σίτος τοίς ἐν τῆ νήσφ ἐσπλεῖ. Blaydes now proposes ἐσπλεῦσαν σκάφοι.. Κύθνιον ή Σερίφιον, 'had confiscated a smack from Cythnus or Semphus ' But this would have been a serious offence instead of a comic absurdity, which is what is meant.
- 542. φήνας for φαίνω in the sense of informing against, see 784, etc. Σεριφίων—' belonging to a Seriphian.' Semphos was a small barren island, near the coast of Att.ca: its insignificance became provertial; cf. the well-known story of Themistocles and the Seriphian Plat. Nep. 330 A; Cic. Sen. 3, 8 (see Shuckburgh's note).

543. καθήσθ'—imperfect, κάθησθε being present. The imperfect is ἐκαθήμην or καθήμην (the only tragic form): Eccl. 302, καθηντο (in a chorus). See Veuch, or Krager's Grammar 38, 6, 1—3.

- 544. καὶ κάρτα—the tragic style is kept up, κάρτα, which is very common in Ionic and tragedy, being almost unknown in comedy and prose. καθείλκετε—Εccl. 197, ναθε δεί καθέλκειν; Dem. de Cor. 298 § 184, διακοσίας ναθε καθέλκειν.
- 545. τριακοσίας vaûs—so Pericles at the beginning of the war reckoned the Athenian fleet at 300 triremes fit for sea (Thu., u. 13, 10), and this was their standard establishment.
- 546. περί τριηράρχου βοής—not about choosing a trierarch, but about the captain himself, who would be mustering his crew. C. says that περί is local, 'around,' as it sometimes is in poetry: but I doubt the usage in Aristophanes.
- 547. παλλαδίων cf. Eur. Iph. A. 239, χρυσέαις δ' εἰκόσιν κατ' άκρα Νηρήδες έστασαν θεαὶ πρύμναις σήμ' 'Αχιλλείου στρατοῦ. The image of the goddess would be on the poop, though the παράσημον was at the prow. Paley however, with the scholiast, considers the Παλλάδα to be at the bows; citing Aesch. Sept. 196, ές πρώραν φυγών, of a sailor who quits the helm in a storm to pray before his tutelary images. See Dict. Ant. 11. 216, navis.
- 548. στοάς according to the scholast this is στοὰ ἀλφιτόπωλις luit by Pericles in the Peiraeus; Eccl 686. στεναχούσης -sc. echoing with a noisy crowd, rather than 'groaning' with excess of provisions: cf. the use of strepo, e.g. Tac. Ann. vi. 17, dein strepere praetons tribunal. The word is used of the roar of a torrent, Hom. 11. xvi. 391.
- 549. ἀσκῶν κ. τ.λ.—as C. notes, the indiscriminate enumeration is designed to express the general confusion. τροπωτήρων—see Thuc. ii. 93, 2, where the Peloponnesian sailors carry each his oar, cushion, and τροπωτήρ across the isthmus of Cor nth. cf. Hom. Od. iv. 782,

ήρτύναντο δ' έρετμά προποῖς έν δερματίνοισιν.

- 551. στεφάνων—this and the following words suggest a farewell supper ending in a row: cf. 1091. So the old dieast quarrelled with his boon companions and carried off their flute-girl, Vesp. 1368.
- 552 κωπέων—spars, to be planed and fashioned into oars; of. Hel. v 23, where a district is spoken of as possessing ίδη τε ναυπηγήσωρος άφθονος και πολλοί κωπέες.
- 553. τυλων ξιλίνων ήλων (schol.); wooden bolts or rivets, tree-nails, as we call them, being arrived in. θαλαμίων τροπουμένων—' oars being fitted with thongs': cf. Aesch. Pers. 376, ναυβάτης δ' ἀνήρ τροπούτο κώπην σκαλμον ἀμφ' εύηρετμον. θαλαμία is an adjective, sc. κωπη, νία. θαλαμος, θαλαμίτης.
  - 554. ailâr relevo Târ the sense is in favour of joining these

words, though the run of the line inclines one to take the genitives separate, like the others in the passage. νεγλάρων—the sound of a pipe or whistle, or (some say) the whistle itself.

555. τον δε Τήλεφον κτλ.—another quotation from the play. 'Don't we suppose Telephus (the Spartans) would? Then we must indeed be senseless.'

- 5-7. The chorus now divides, half siding with Dicaeopolis and half against him. ἄληθες—in the the change of accent when the word is used as an indignant exclanation. δπίτριπτε—so Pac 1236: Plut. 275, ώς σεμνὸς οὐπίτριπτος.
- 558. For λέγειν with double accusative of. var. lect. 338 · Eccl. 435, γυναϊκας πόλλ' άγαθά λέγων.
- 560. καλ...γε—'yes, and all he says is just': cf. 798; Ran. 183, νη τὸν Ποσειδώ κάστι γ' ὁ Χάρων οὐτοσί. I think that there should be no comma after Ποσειδώ, as the affirmation belongs to the whole sentence. In such cases γε either stands as here or precedes the oath, as Nub. 135, ἀμαθής γε νη Δί'.
- 563. ἀλλ' οὐδὶ χαίρων—'he shan't say it with impunity, either', οὐδέ = 'also not' as often. οὖτι however is supported by Ran. 843, ἀλλ' οὖτι χαίρων αὖτ' ἐρεῖς, and other passages. The hostile half-chorus now rush to attack the speaker; but are stopped and held back by the others.
- 564. οὖτος σύ κ.τ.λ.—Eq. 240, οὖτος, τί φεύγεις, οὖ μενεῖς; Αυ. 354, οὖτος, οὖ μενεῖς; θενεῖς—θείνω is an old word which 'occurs out of tragedy only in comic verse'; see New Phrynichus p. 10.
- 565. ἀρθήσει—a metaphor from wrestling, 'sublimis rapiere' (Muller): the scholiasts say καταληφθηση, 'you shall be seized,' and καταβληθήση; cf. 57 t.
- 566. Là Λάμαχ'—see 270. βλέπων άστραπάς—cf. 254. Plut. 328, βλέπων άντικους "Αρη.
- 567. yopyoloopa—'grim-crested' or 'Gorgon-crested.' The crest of Lamachus, as we shall see, was a special terror to Dicaeopolus, as well as the shield which Lore a Gorgon's head. opened like a protecting deity.

- 568. & φυλέτα an appeal more earnest than true, as Lamachus belonged to Cephale in the true Acamantis, while Acharnae was in the true Oeneis.
- 570. τειχομάχας Mitchell here cites Hdt. ix. 70, to show the excellence of the Athenians in τειχομαχία · cf. Thuc. 1. 102, 2, ὅτι τειχομαχεῖν ἐδοκουν δυνατοὶ εἶναι. An engineer officer would thus stand high at Athens.
- 571. ἔχομαι μέσος— Eq. 388, ἔχεται μέσος: Ran. 469, ἀλλὰ νθυ ἔχει μέσος. It is a wrestling expression, sometimes merely a metaphor.
- 572. Lamachus appears from his house; see note on 174. He is arrayed with all the builesque splendour of a stage warner, and his nelmet bears three enormous cresis, like that of the holiday-colonel, as Mitchell calls him, Pac 1172, θεοίσιο έχθρου ταξιαρχου προσβλέπων τρείς λόφους έχοντα και φοινικιδ' όξεξαν πάνυ. There are also two ostrich plumes wreathed round it. The hero speaks in a mock-heroic strain, while Dicaeopolis cowers at his glance.
- 573. κυδοιμόν the din of war; person fied as the henchman of Ares, Pac. 255; of Hom. II. v. 593.
- 574. Γοργόν see Hom. II xi. 36 for the Gorgon on Agamemnon's shield. σάγματος the case or covering of the Gorgon-headed shield. In Vesp. 1142 the word means a cloak or wrapper.
- 575. τῶν λόφων κ.τ.λ O crests and companies.' Possibly mere alliteration is sought in the military outburst; Muller however holds that Lamachus appears with an armed posse; while Meincke and Hamaker, assuming that he does not, omit the line, as made up from 578 and 1074. Some assign it to the sent chorus
- 576. οὐ γάρ -cf. 817: Vesp. 836, οὐ γάρ ὁ Λαβης κ.τ.λ.; Kan. 25, οὐ γάρ φέρω γώ; It answers a question with a sort of expostuation, Why, has he not all along been reviling our state? πάλας—with present, like νοσῶ πάλας, 'I have been long ill.'
  - 577. какорровей—Thesm. 896: Eur. Hip. 340.
- 578. ἀλλά for ἀλλα in entreaties etc. see 403 sq.: Madv. Gk. Syntax § 278.
- 579. κάστωμυλάμην Thesm. 461: Eq. 1376: 'seems almost confined to comedy' (Neil).
- 5%. our olda no-1.e. I can't yet collect myself, I'm still giddy with fear. This seems to give a very good sense. Muller however and

Meineke read ούκ οΐδα. A. πώς; while Blaydes suggests ούκ οίδ' έτι (or δ τι).

- 582. την μορμόνα— Pac 474. οί δεν δεόμεθα της σης μορμόνος, also of Lamachus' Gorgon-sh eld. Dicaeopolis may have feared being turned into stone.
- 583. ὑπτίαν—so as to hide the head; then it strikes Dicaeopolis that the hollow of the shield might serve as a basin.
- 585. τουτί πτίλον σοι—giving him one feather from the plume: Pac. 256, οὐτοσί σοι κόνδυλος. πτιλον is properly the down or small under feather.
- 588. **πτίλον γάρ ἐστιν**—in the manuscripts and in most editions Dicaeopolis asks the question πτίλον γάρ ἐστιν; 'this a plumelet?' staring in amazement at some enormous burlesque of a feather, as Merry puts it, which Lamachas has handed to him. Another view is that Lamachus tries to stop Dicaeopolis, crying out in horror, 'Why, it's an ostrich feather' (cf. 1105), but is interrupted in his turn. So Müller, Meineke, etc. arrange the him.
- 589. κομπολακίθου—the verb έκομπολάκουν, from κόμπος and λακείν, occurs Ran. 961. The scholiast also connects the word with λήκυθος, as blown out and as giving empty sound.
- 590. τεθνήξεις—see note on 325. Here the manuscripts have τεθνήσει or τεθνήξει, but most editors adopt the active.
- 591. ού κατ' ἰσχύν—' this is not a case for (in accordance with) force,' but argument. Aesch. Prom. 212, οὐ κατ' Ισχυν.. δολφ δέ so Hdt. 1ν 201, οὐ κατὰ τὸ Ισχυρὸν αἰρετοί: cf. 622. Mailer follows Meineke in reading κατ' Ισχύν σοὐστίν, meaning 'you have not the power' (to kill me), since half the chorus back Dicaeopolis: or possibly, 'it is not worthy of your prowess to kill a little fellow like me' (τυννουτοσί, 367), as Paley suggests.
  - 592. ἀπεψίλωσας—' why don't you strip off my (suppliant) rags?'
- 595. σπουδαρχίδης σπουδάζων περί άρχάς: 'no place-hunter's son' (Green). The other patronymics explain themselves.
- 598. κόκκυγές γε τρεῖς 'yes, two or three boobies'; ἄτακτοι καὶ ἀπαιδευτοι, as the cuckoo ἄμουσόν τι φθέγγεται (schol). Τεπ στρατηγοί were elected yearly; it would seem that the appointment was very casually bestowed.
- 600. ἐν ταῖς τάξωτιν—'in the ranks': plural because different men had different posts.
- 601. olos σύ—the manuscripts have olous σύ, which Müller retains.
  There are various instances of such construction according to manuscript.

authority, e.g. Dem. Androt. 617 § 77, οὐδ' οἴοισπερ σὰ χρωμενοι συμβούλοις, where οἰόσπερ in now generally read. Most editors say like Dindorf 'solemnis librariorum error,' and alter the reading; others explain it by 'assimilation'; see Kruger's Grammar, 51, 10, 6. διαδεδρακότας —'having shirked service' by getting lucrative appointments; so Ran. 1014, διαδρασιπολίται.

602. τρείς δραχμάς—very high pay; cf. 66. See also Dem. Fuls. leg. 391 § 158 (Hestop's note), where we find ambassadors provided at the rate of something over a drachma per day.

603. These burlesque names are meant to suggest birth and wealth, Tisamenus being a mythical king of Achaia, while names 'with a horse in them' were anstocratic; cf. 1206: Nub. 63.

Co4. Chares is unknown; some barbarous king is meant. The scholast however says  $\ell\pi l$   $d\mu\alpha\theta\ell\rho$   $\delta\iota\epsilon\beta\dot{\alpha}\lambda\lambda\epsilon\tau o$ .  $\ell\nu$  **Xaóo**:—a tube in Epirus; Eq. 78: Thuc. ii. 80, 5 etc.

605. Geres and Theodorus appear to have been profligates of the day. Diomea was a deme of the tribe Aegeis, but we have lost the personal allusion in 'Diomean braggarts.'

606. τοὺς δ' ἐν Καμαρίνη κ.τ.λ. in allusion to the nission of Laches who was despatched to Sicily in 427, 6, Thuc. in. 86 sq. Καταγέλα (76) is a παρὰ προσδοκίαν, perhaps for Catana. The line is impated Athen. vii. 315 (96), where one Archestratus who wrote a poem on cockery is called ὁ ἐκ Γέλας, μᾶλλον δὲ Καταγέλας, οὐτος ποιπτός.

609. Μαριλάδη—see 350 for the derivation of this name; and ef. 613.

610. ἀνήρ—a conjecture of Blaydes. The manuscripts end the line with ενη (sic), εν ή, or the like. Elmsley proposed ενί as a shortened form of ήνί = εn, but no other instance is alleged. Bothe has (πεπρέσβευκαι) εν; ή; 'even one? eh?' Dr Merry (with Cartius) follows the scholiast in reading ενη (? ενη) – έκ πολλοθ, 'though long ago grey headed'; see I..l. and Scott, ενος. Blaydes supposes that a marginal stage direction (παρεπιγραφή) such as ἀνα(νεύει) had got into the text and displaced the proper ending of the verse; cf. 113, 4, where ἀνανευει and ἐπινεύει are found at the end of the respective lines in several manuscripts.

611. ἀνένευσε—' nodding the reverse way, by throwing back the head, is still in the East the gesture answelling to our shake of the head,' Monro on Hom. II. vi. 311, ἀνένευε δὲ Παλλάς 'Αθήνη καίτοι γ' ἐστί— Elmsley and others read καιτρίσταν γε, on the ground that καιτοι γε inthout an intervening word is not Attic.

- 612. τί δ' 'Ανθράκυλλος so Reiske for τί δαὶ Δράκυλλος; all these names having an appropriate meaning.
- 614. 6 Κοισύρας—one Megacles, according to the scholast; and some particular young noble may be meant. The editors however doubt it. Megacles was a frequent name in the great family of the Alemaeonidae, and Coesyra is the typical haughty dame: see Nub. 46, 48, 800, 815. Many detect an allusion to Alcibiades, but we do not know of his being in debt or difficulties.
- bis. in ipdvov—épavos is any contribution; and the scholiast holds that the young men in question were behindhand in paying some rate or impost, or perhaps their share of club-money. The meaning may perhaps be that their friends had raised a subscription to pay their debts, and not getting their money back, and perhaps fearing further calls, were anxious to get rid of them.
- 616. ἀπόνιπτρον—d.rty water (cf. ἀπονίζω) thrown out of the windows in the evening: cf. Iuv. 11., 277, 'patulas defundere pelves.'
- 617. εξίστω— out of the way, a warning to passers by to look to themselves. So the young men are advised to clear out, their friends thinking it best to get them some appointment in foreign parts. Some take it as a call to give up their property to their creditors, εξιστασθαι της οὐσίας, but it may be doubted if they had any.

For the form =  $i\xi l\sigma ra\sigma \sigma$  of. Eccl. 737,  $l\sigma r\omega$ : Soph. Phil 893, so  $l\pi l\sigma r\omega$  frequently.

- 618. 
  δ δημοκρατία. Αυ. 1570, α δημοκρατία, ποι προβιβάς ήμας ποτε; There the speaker is exclaiming against the political evils of democracy; here he is inveighing against one whose impertment freedom is intolerable. 'Is this what liberty and equality have brought us to?' (Merry).
- 619 tdv μη ... Λάμαχος this imputation of greed and favouritism is grossly unjust to Lamachus, who according to all testimony was brave and capable, but neither rich nor well-connected. See Plut. Alc. c. 21. The chorus are all now convinced by the personal appeals they have heard. They want no help from Lamachus, whom they have just summoned so earnestly, and he turns his back on them in contempt.
- 620. Δλλ' οὖν--' wel., any how.' ἐγώ μέν -' I for my part,' whatever others may do.
  - 622. πεζοισι—sc. στρατοίς. κατά τό καρτερόν—cf. 592.
  - 623. St... ye see 203.
- 625. πωλείν...πρός έμέ—'to sell and traffic with me but not with Lamachus': cf. 722. πρός is used in all sorts of personal relations, and

πρὸς έμέ is written instead of έμοι metri grat. Some indeed understand Λαμάχψ δὲ (κηρύττω) μὴ (πωλεῖν), but the sense is conclusive against this, as Lamachus could have nothing to sell though he might be glauto buy. Λάμαχον for <math>Λαμαχψ is an obvious suggestion, but not necessary.

## Parabasis, lines 626-718.

The actors having left the stage the chorus turn to face the audience in the parabasis: see note on Vesp. 1009; and Dict. Ant. i. 422, chorus. The present parabasis is complete in its parts except that instead of a κομμάτιον, or short lyrical passage, the anapaests are introduced by two tetrameter lines. It is arranged as follows:—anapaests or parabasis proper, 628—658: μακρόν οτ πνίγοι, 659—664: στροφή οτ ώδή, 665—675: ἐπιρρημα, 676—691: ἀντιστροφή οτ ἀντωδή, 692—702' ἀντεπίρρημα. 703—718.

627. ἀποδύντες—a metaphor from athletes, says the scholast; but more likely literal. They threw off their outer robes to cance more lightly. τοῖς ἀναπαίστοις ἐπίωμεν—'let us attack (tackle) the anapaests': ἐπειμι takes dative or accusative, and here the manuscripts have both. Generally the dative is more used with the idea of attacking, the accusative implying simple approach; so with ἐπελθεῖν. οἱ ἀνάπαιστοι in Aristophanes are always the long anapaestics of the parabasis: Pac. 735: Av. 684, ἀρχου τῶν ἀναπαίστων (Neil on Eq. 504).

628. ἐφέστηκεν 'has taken charge of, managed': Vesp. 955. προβατίοις ἐφεστάναι. ὁ διδάσκαλος ήμῶν Pac. 738, άξιος είναι φησ είλογίας μεγάλης ὁ διδάσκαλος ήμῶν: so κωμφδιδάσκαλος: Hut. vi. 21, Φρυνίχφ δράμα διδάξαντι. Aristophanes himself is meant, though the play was in the name of Callistratus, of 655.

629. πρός τὸ θέατρον — the house ; the only meaning the word has in literature tid well on in the fourth century B.C. (Neil on Eq. 233, τὸ θέατρον δεξιόν). Elmsley joins these words with λέξων taking παρέβη by itself, so Blaydes: Muller dissents from this view, rightly, as I think. Two similar passages, Eq. 508: Pac. 735, are not decisive either way. δεξιός, like σοφός (opposed to σκαίοι), is a favourite word

of the poet's in belauding himself or complimenting the Athenian and ence. This is the first time, he says, that he has been obliged to come forward in his own defence.

630. διαβαλλόμενος κ τ λ.—see 377 and 502. ταχυβούλοις μεταβούλους - witness the decree to exterminate the people of Mytilene and its reversal next day, Thuc. 111. 36 sq. This was in 427. (f. Eccl. 797,

έγφδα τούτους χειροτονούντας μέν ταχό, ἄττ' αν δὲ δόξη ταῦτα πάλιν άρνουμένους.

- 631. κωμφδεί την πόλιν-Ρας. 751, άνθρωπίσκους κωμφδών.
- 632. ἀποκρίνεσθαι—so we speak of answering a charge, 'at my first answer (ἀπολογία) no man stood with me.\*
- 633. πολλών άξιος ὑμῖν—i.e. at your hands: Pac. 918, πολλών γὰρ ὑμιν άξιος, followed by a participle as here: so Eur. Hec. 309, ἡμῖν δ΄ Αχιλλεύς άξιος τιμῆς.. θανών κ.τ.λ.
- 634. ξενικοίσι—dλλοτρίοιs, or τοῖs ἀπὸ τῶν ξένων πρεσβέων λεγομένοιs (schol.); possibly meaning the persuasive speeches of Gorgias, who, as we learn from Diodorus, accompanied the embassy from Leonum to Athens in 427 (Thuo iii. 86) and mightily impressed the people with his strange tricks of oratory (τῷ ξενίζοντι τῶν λόγων), Diod xi i. 53.
- 635. ήδεσθαι θωπευομένους—Eq. 1115, θωπευόμενος χαιρεις κ.τ.λ. (spoken to Demus). χαυνοπολίτας—formed like μικροπολίτας, Eq. 817: διαδρασιπολίτας, Ran. 1014. χαθνος means puffed up and conceited, rather than easily guilted, as Lid and Scott understand the word.
- 637 log τεφάνους—we have Pindar's dithyrambic fragment,  $\vec{w}$  ταλ λιπαραί και log τέφανοι και dolδιμοι, "Ελλαδος έρεισμα, κλειναί 'Αθ ηναι δαιμόνιον πτολιεθρον: concerning which Isocrates tells us that the people in their delight at this praise made Pindar a προξενός and bestowed on him 10,000 drachmae. See Neil on Eq. 1323; 'every word,' he says, 'scems to have been treasured and quoted in Athens for centuries.'
- 638. ἐπ' ἄκρων—' you sat on the tips of your tails'; you could hardly keep your seats, as Mitchell puts it.
- 639. ὑποθωπεύσας Vesp. 610, τὸ γύναιὸν μ' ὑποθωπείσαν. λιπαράς the special epithet of Athens though sometimes given to other
  cities: see Neil on Eq. 1329. It is said to refer to the rich gift of the
  olive; but it might suggest the bright air of Attica, or the shining
  buildings of the city.
- 640. ηύρετο πάν άν—iterative use of δυ with the imperfect indicative; see note on Vesp. 269, and Goodwin § 162: cl. Nub. 1382, d.

βρίν είποις (frequentative), έγω γνούς άν πιείν έπέσχου For εί μσκομαι, to obtain an honour or reward, cf. Dem. Lept. 457 § 1, ευρομένους άτέλειαν etc. άφύων τιμήν—as they ought to be smooth and shining. Note the accent: άφιων is from άφινης.

- 642. ώs δημοκρατούνται—'how their government is conducted.' Probatly in the *Babylonians* the poet had shown how the allies suffered from Cleon's adherents; see note on 1.6.
- 643. ἀπάγοντες— Γετρ. 707, τὸν φόρον ἡμὶν ἀπάγουσε: Thuc. v. 53, t, ὁ δέον ἀπαγαγεῖν οὐκ ἀπέπεμπον. These compounds with ἀπο imply paying what is due: Blaydes' correction to προσαγοντες is therefore wrong.
- 645. παρεκινδύνευσ'---of a perilons venture: Vzsp. 6: Eq. 1054. Ran. 99, φθέγξεται τι παρακεκινδυνευμένου, 'a boldly hazarded saying.'
- 646. οῦτω δ'—' and thus': not to be taken with πόρρω, 'so far that' which would require ωστε, as Av. 488 (Müller).
- 647. ὅτε καί—cf. 401: Nub. 7, 34 etc. So ὁπότε (Thuc. ii. 60, 4), ἐπει. ἐπειδή sometimes give the cause. Λακεδαιμονίων την πρεσβείαν—Thucydides speaks of an embassy from Sparta to Persia at the beginning of the war (iv. 7). βασανίζων—ἀκριβώς ἐξετάζων (schol.).
- 650. γεγενήσθαι Maller alters the text to τε γενέσθ' ἄν, thinking a future meaning required. There is however no need for a change; the perfect gives an excellent sense. The King considered that whichever side was soundly rated by the poet must have been bettered by his satire, and would therefore be victorious in the war.
- 651. τοῦτον ξύμβουλον 'him to counsel them,' not 'this counsellor.'
- 652. ὑμᾶς τὴν εἰρήνην προκαλοῦνται—προκαλεῖσθαι takes an accusative (1) of the person, Thuc. iii. 34, 3, προκαλεσάμενος ἐς λόγοις Ἱππίαν: (2) of the thing, Εη 796, τὰς σπονδὰς προκαλοῦνται: also a double construction with cognate neuter, Plat. Επέμγρη. 5 Α, αὐτὰ ταῦτα προκαλεῖσθαι αὐτὸν. Here την εἰρήνην is cognate, but I know of no similar instance with προκαλεισθαι. We have however an analogous double accusative with προσκαλεῖσθαι, Dem Pantaen 978, § 41, προσκαλεῖταί με τὴν δικην. Αακεδαιμόνιοι 'ς τήν has been suggested.
- 653 The Alysean anatrovors—a poetical fiction, at the date. It is true that at the beginning of the war the independence of Aegina was one of the Spartan demands, Th. c. i. 139, 1. But in 431 the Athenians expelled the inhabitants and in their place sent settlets of their own.
- 654. τοῦτον . ἀφέλωνται -not 'dispossess him' of his holding in Aegina ("hy should they desire it?); but 'take him away' from the

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Athenians. If the Spartans got Aegina, the poet would be transferred with the island, and Sparta would have his services.

- 655. ἀλλά, μή ποτ' ἀφῆθ'—' but do you never let him go, since his ridicule will be just,' and therefore salutary (650). There is no difficulty in the cognate construction; which resembles βοηθεῦν τὰ δικαια and the like.
- 657. ὑποτείνων—'holding out,' promising: Thue. viii. 48, 1, ὑποτείνοντος αὐτοῦ Τισσαφέρνην φίλον ποιήσειν. μισθούς—e.g. for attending the law courts and assembly, payment for which duties was begun or increased by the demagogues of this time.
  - 658. καταρδων 'bespattering you' with praise, or promises (schol.).
- 659 664. The μακρίν or πνίγος, so called because it was ultered in one breath (ἀπνευστί) and nearly choked the reciter. In subject it is always closely connected with the preceding anapaests; e.g. Vesp. 1051: in Eq. 547 the sense goes on without a break.
- 659. πρὸς ταῦτα—'in face of this,' 'therefore': so the πνῖγος Ρας. 765, πρὸς ταῦτα χρέων κ.τ.λ.: Soph. Aj. 971, πρὸς ταῦτ' 'Οδυσσεὺς ἐν κενοῖς ὑβριζέτω: Εl. 820, etc. These lines are from Eurip.des (Frag. 974) except that the original runs πρὸς ταῦθ' ὁ τι χρή ..., and concludes κοῦ μή ποθ' ἀλῶ κακὰ πράσσων. They became proveibal and are often cited, e.g. twice by Chero, Ep. Att. vi. 1, 8 (partly), and viii. 8, 2.

παλαμάσθω-Νυδ. 176, τι ἐπαλαμήσατο; Ραι. 94, with τόλμημα νέον.

661. τὸ γὰρ εὕ-Aesch. Ag. 159, τὸ δ' εδ νικάτω.

662. κού μή ποθ' άλω the construction is not uncommon in Aristophanes, e.g. Pac. 1304: Av. 461.

663. περί την πόλιν-- cf. 696.

665 675. The chorus now pass from vindicating the poet to complaints of their own wrongs. They begin with an invocation of the charcoal Muse of Acharnae: so the chorus appeals Eq. 559, δεύς έλθ' & χόρον, to Poseidon: Pac. 775, Μοῦσα, μετ' ἐμοῦ χόρευσον ελε.

665. pheyopa-'glowing,' literal and metaphorical; so torovos,

"vehement."

667. olow—best understood as relative 'in such sort as'; 'tanto impeau vent, quanto' (Blaydes); rather than as an exclamation 'how,' with a full stop at the end of the line before.

668. φέψαλος Vesp. 227, πηδώσι και βαλλουσω ώσπερ φεψαλοι. ἀνήλατ'—'leaps up,' gnomic aorist. ἐρεθιζόμενος—cf. the chorus Eur. Bacch. 148 οὐρία ριπίδι—'the favouring fan': cf. 888. The words have a tragic tone: οθρώς is a favourite Lumpidean word; indeed an ingenious critic detects in the very syllables a pan on the name of Lumpides

670. ἐπανθρακίδες -'fry': V. sp. 1127. παρακείμεναι—at hand, really for the frying pan. The compound with παρά however rather means 'served up,' as in παρατιθημι (85), and we might expect ἐπικειμεναι, sc. τῷ πυρί.

671. Θασίαν sc. άλμην, brine: Athen, vii. 329 B, τοὺς εἰς τὸ ἀπανθρακίζεων ἐπιτηδείους ἰχθῶς εἰς ἀλμην ἀπέθαπτον ῆν καὶ Θασίαν ἐκαλουν ἄλμην. See other quotations in Blaydes: cf. Vesp. 1515, ἄλμην κύκα τούτουσιν ῆν ἐγὼ κρατῶ. Apparently the fish were popped into the pickle while hot from the pan, see Vesp. 329—331: Blaydes however says 'priusquam in igne terretentar.' λυπαράμπυκα—a beautiful dithyrandic word (Pind. Nem. vii 22), formed like χρυσάμπυξ, as if Θασία were a charming maiden in festal array. The pickle, says Paley, was made of oil and brine, and is called λιπαράμπυξ from the oil that rises to the top; hence it was shaken or stirred up (ανακοκῶσι) before use

672. μάττωσιν it seems rather too late in the day to begin kneading dough. Melneke therefore proposes κάπτωσω: Hamaker and Blaydes βιπτωσω: Lut neither suggestion is very tempting

673. ἐλθέ-with ώς έμέ, the accusatives depending on λαβοθσα.

676 718. A protest against the unworthy treatment of old citizens, men who had done good service in their country's cause, who now find themselves drugged into court by am itious young speakers, and cast in heavy penalties.

677. ἐκείνων ὧν for the attraction of the relative of 1. 6: Ι εκρ. 561, τούτων ὧν ἄν φάσκω.

678. γηροβοσκοιμεσθ' - Eur. Med. 1033: cf. γηροβοσκός. According to Plutarch, Sol. c. 31, there was a law of Peisistratus for

disabled old warriors, τοὺς πηρωθέντας ἐν πολέμω δημοσία τρέφεσθαι, but it was probably obsolete.

- 679. ἐμβαλόντες ἐς γραφάς—Nub. 1460, ἐμβάλωμεν ἐς κακον. γραφάς some actual cases seem meant, for the word implies specifically criminal proceedings: it is not general like δικαι and πραγματα.
- 681. οὐδὰν ὅντας—Εccl. 144, οὐδὰν γὰρ εl: the converse of εlval τις οτ τι. παρεξηυλημένους—Lt. 'played out,' like pipes with wornout mouthpieces.
- 682. Ποσειδών ἀσφάλειος worshipped at Athens under this title, says the scholast. He caused and therefore could avert earthquakes and storms, and his grace bestowed a quiet sea. There is also very likely a pun on ποσίν and Ποσειδών as Bergler suggested, 'quasi d.cat ων τοῦς ποσίν ἀσφάλεια βακτηρια.'
- 683. τονθορύζοντες 'muttering, mumbling': Vesp. 614: Ran. 747 τῷ λίθψ the βημα in the court: Pac. 680, in the Phyx: cf. Eq. 956, επί πέτμας δημηγορών. The aged accused stands in court without being able to make an audible or intelligible defence.
  - 684. της δίκης την ηλύγην—' the obscurity of—the process.'
- 685. ὁ δὲ νεανίας κ.τ.λ. the text, as Mr Green shows, is probably right and gives a good sense. The young man gladly seizes the occasion (σπουδάσας) of putting in practice his lessons of rhetoric and showing off his eloquence in court ἐαντῷ ξυνηγοροῦν is then 'to prosecute his own case.' It is indeed true that the συνήγοροῦ as a rule was not the same as the accuser; see Dict. Ant. ii. 744, for a full account of the word. Blaydes therefore, following Elmsl y, who regarded νεανίας as acc plural, reads νεανίαν, 'having secured the aid of a young advocate': while Müller substitutes ἐταίρῳ for ἐαυτῷ. For σπουδάζω with inf. cf. Soph. Oed. Col. 1143, τὸν βιον σπουδάζομεν λαμπρὸν ποιεῖσθαι.
- 686. ἐς τάχος—ταχέως: more commonly διὰ τάχους, ἐν τάχει etc. ξυνάπτων—either 'attacking, engaging,' sc. μάχην: Hdt iv. 80, μελλόντων δὲ αὐτῶν σινάψειν: Thuc. vi 13, 3, ξυνήψαν πόλεμων: or sc. ῥήματα, 'de conciso genere loquendi,' with a complet, well ordered speech. στρογγύλοις—'rounded, terse': see Cope on Ar. Rhit. ii.21,7, προστιθέντα τὸ διότι στρογγιλώτατα, cf. Cic. Brut 68, 272, rotunda const.uctio verborum: id. Fin. iv. 3, 7, a te quidem apte et rotunde
- 687. ανελκύσας—on the platform, βήμα: Vesp. 568, τὰ παιδάρλ εἰθὸς ἀνέλκει. σκανδάληθρ' Ιστάς—' setting traps': according to the scholiast the word means the hooked catch or trigger (τα επικαμπη ξυλα) which set the trap oft. σκάνδαλον is a later form.

688. ἄνδρα Τιθωνόν—Hor. Od. ii. 16, 30, longa Tithonum minut senectus. Somewhat similarly Kρόνος means an antiquated fool, e.g. Nub 929; of Nub. 998 where a son calls his father lapetus (the brother of Cronos). ταράττων καλ κυκών Ε΄. 251, διωκε καλ ταράττε και κόκα: Ρας. 654, καλ κυκηθρον καλ ταρακτρον.

689. μασταρύζει - 'mumbles': συνέλκει καλ συνάγει τὰ χείλη (schol ).

690. λύζα—'sobs': Soph. Oed. Col. 1621, λύγδην έκλαιον. Memeke reads άλθει 'goes frantic,' a var. lect. suggested by the scholast. The word however is tragic (Ve p. 111, in parody) not Attic, and it does not improve the sense.

691. σορόν πρίασθαι—cf. Flut. 556, καταλείψει μηδέ ταφήναι.

(92. ταῦτα πῶς εἰκότα;—cí. 703, τῷ γὰρ εἰκός;

693. περί κλεψίδραν—i.e. in a law court. Vesp. 93, δ νοθε πέτεται την κύκτα περί την κλεψύδραν. Thus το θόωρ comes to mean the litigant's abotted time for speaking.

697. Mapaθώνι here there is no doubt of the reading, but else where, e.g. Fesp. 711, it is a question whether έν should be retained or not. The charcoal burness, as in 181, are all old Marathon men, 'Anstophanes (as is frequently elsewhere his practice) treating his chorus as types rather than as individuals' (Rogers, on Fesp. 1071) Mitchell notes 'That even in the days of Aris ophanes, the perpetual allusions to this theme of national vanity and exultation had surfeited men of soberer minds, is evident from the language which Thucyd des puts into the mouth of one of his speakers. τὰ δὲ Μηδικά καὶ ὅσα αὐτοὶ ξενιστε, εἰ καὶ δι' ὅχλου μᾶλλον ἔσται ἀεὶ προβαλλομένοις, ἀνάγκη λέγειν' (i. 73, 2).

698. ὅτ' ἡμεν—taken sel arately by some critics and em<sub>i</sub> hatically, 'cum vigenamus,' when we were (good for something).' ἐδιώκομεν—he plays on the double sense of fin suing or suing (in Scottish law the prosecutor is the pursuer): so Eq. 969: Vish 1207.

700. κάτα πρός άλισκόμεθα—so most editors, cf. 1229: the manuscr pts have προσαλισκόμεθα, which might have the same meaning: cf. Verp. 1420, και χάρω προσείσομαι, 'and I will be grateful too': προσεχεω, 'to have besides,' Plat. Kep. 521 D. Elimsley suggested καὶ προσεθ' άλ, which says Blaydes 'valde nihi arridet.'

702. Mapwins-a contentious and noisy speaker, says the scholiast.

703. τῷ γὰρ εἰκός τίνι τρόπῳ (or τεκμηνίω); so Thesm. 839:
Αίκό. 385, τουτί τῷ χρη πιστεύειν; ἡλίκον Θουκυδιόην-for the con
struction cf. Eccl. 465, τοίσιν ἡλίκοισι ν.ρν. Thurydides the son of
Melesias was ostracised about 442: cf. Vest 947. We know nothing

of his subsequent history; see Grote ch. 47: Plut Per. c. 11—14. Having been the chief opponent of Pericles, he is taken as a representative of the good old school.

704. ξυμπλακέντα—'entangled,' i.e. lost, in the desert, and 'engoged' in a straggle with Cephisodemus: cf. Eur Bacch. 800, ἀπόρφ γε τῷδε συμπεπλεγμεθα ξένφ: 'a word derived from the συμπλοκή of wrestlers' (Paley). τη Σκυθών έρημία—'the Scythian desert' seems to have been proverbial: Aesch. Prom. 2, Σκύθην ές οἶμον ἄβατον εἰς ἐρημίαν. Here it means Cephisodemus himself, who is sneered at as having barbanan blood in his veins, and being no better than a Scythian τοξότης (54).

705. ξυνηγόρφ—here, and Vesp. 482, an advocate for the prosecution; see 685.

706. κάπεμορξάμην -- Hom. II. 11. 269, άπομδρξατο δάκρυ: 50 κόρας εξομόρξασθαι, Ευτ. Ελ. 501.

707. ὑπ' ἀνδρὸς τοξότου—both meanings are suggested, a policeman, and Cephisodemus himself.

708. ἐκείνος ήν both words are emphatic: cf. Nub. 534, 'Ηλέκτραν κατ' ἐκείνην: Vesp. 235, ήβης ἐκείνης. 'When he was indeed Thucydides' i.e. his old self in full vigour (Merry).

709. 'Axalar-a name of Demeter (=Dolores, 'our Lady of Pain') derived, according to Hesychius, ἀπὸ τοῦ περὶ τὴν κόρην ἄχους, from her lamentations when seeking for Persephone. The sense seems to be, he would not have stood such clamour (and cross-questionings) from the goddess herself, much less from a beggarly lawyer. There may be some allusion which we have lost, as it is the goddess seems dragged in rather irrelevantly. 'Mihi quidem mendosus videtur hic locus,' says Blaydes, but it is not clear how it should be altered.

710. μένταν—cf. 162: 906 (with optalive). Εὐάθλους -οῦτος βήτωρ πονηρός (schol.). He is mentioned Vesp. 592; and in the Όλκάδες Frag. 362) we have πονηρός τοξότης ξυνηγορός, ὥσπερ Εὐαθλος.

712. περιετόξευσεν δ' άν—' would have outshot (or out-constabled)': cf. Plaut. Pseud. it. 1, 10, Ballionem exhallistabo. Memeke and Blaydes read ὑπερετόξευσεν, as περιτοξεύω is not found elsewhere: cf. however περίειμι 'to be over and above,' περιγιγνομαι, etc. αὐτοῦ Euathlus or Cephisodemus? Both seem jeered at as τοξοται. Blaydes suggests αὐτοῦτ (ipsos), αὐτοῦ standing rather awkwardly.

713. υπνου λαχείν—for the (partitive) genitive with λαγχάνω εκε Lid. and Scott. Memeke and Blaydes (with Cobet) read τυχείν.

714. Xupis divat-i.e. that prosecutions be kept separate; the old

man to have an old man to denounce him, the young one some youthful prefligate.

716. ὁ Κλεινίου—Alcibiades, who was now about twenty-five and was already conspicuous. His speaking is alluded to in a passage from the Δαιταλής (Frag. 1.) preserved by Galen.

717. κάξελαύνειν κ.τ λ.—these two lines are rejected by Hamaker as a mere repetition of 714—716 added by a later hand. Gename or not, they are awkward and puzzling. Bisydes translates 'and for the fature we must expeliminating a penalty for non-compliance—the old man ty means of the old and the young by the young.' So Muller, except that he says εξελαίνειν—in its volume, a doubtful rendering καν φύγη τις ζημιοῦν is then parenthetical, 'if any one evade or disobey you must fine him'. No doubt φεύγω is thus used, e.g. Dem. Left. 498 § 138, εἰ δὲ τοῦτο φεὐξονται. But here we should expect all the words to refer to a trial, and φεύγω to mean 'to be on one's defence.' This would give the translation 'we ought to banish and, in case of a defendant, fine etc.' Even so κάν φύγη τις seems out of place, as it should belong to the whole clause: and one might suggest

κάξελαίνειν, ην φύγη τις, και τὸ λοιπον ζημιούν τον γέροντα χρη γέροντι.

There is however the chiection that we ought to have  $\phi \cdot \dot{\phi} \gamma y$ , not the agrist; and I doubt if  $\zeta \eta \mu \iota \sigma \dot{\psi} v$  means 'to fine' without  $\chi \rho \dot{\eta} \mu \sigma \sigma v$  or the like. Merry suggests the meaning 'or if he has already gone into exile you should distrain on his property' (in Athens).

Paley reads κάν φυγή τις ζημιοί (ζημιούν) τον γέροντα κ.τ.λ. 'and, in case of the penalty being exile, to punish etc.'; thus following the scholiast, κάν έξελαύνειν χρή, κάν φυγή ζημιούν, ύπο γέροντος τούτο πάσχεω τον γέροντα. This makes good sense; but is there much difference in meaning between εξελαύνεω and φυγή ζημιούν?

Note that Blaydes now reads δφλη (689) for φύγη.

718. τῷ γέροντι τῷ νέφ—these must be taken as instrumental drives for διὰ τοῦ, a questionable construction with persons (it is one of the explanations suggested of κορινθιφ ἀνδρί κ τ.λ. Thuc. i. 25, 4). There is further Porson's objection, 'vitiosus est articulus ante γέροντι et νέφ'. B ay des therefore suggests τὸν γέροντα μὲν γέροντι τὸν νέον δέ γ' αῦ νέψ: but even so we scarcely get an attractive line.

- 719. Dicaeopolis again comes on the stage, carrying three straps or whips, and begins to set out the boundaries of his market. δροι μέν—answered by άγορανόμους δέ l. 723.
- 722. Meincke and others follow Elmsley in rejecting this line as a mere hash-up of 625. ἐφ' ψτε seems to me in its favour, being a good classical construction: cf. Plut. 1141, ἐφ' ψτε μετέχεων καὐτός 'on condition that.' On the other hand πωλεῖν πρὸς ἐμέ sounds like an echo of ἀγοράζεων πρὸς ἐμέ in 625. Λαμάχψ δὲ μή—sc. πωλεῖν · see however Green, and Shilleto on Thuc. ii. 24, 2. Notwithstanding their authority I cannot believe that Lamachus is here forbidden to sell, a positive prohibition to him being understood from ἔξεστι. The meaning is plain that Dicaeopolis having got his truce is opening a market for foreigners 'on condition that they sell to him and not to Lamachus' Lamachus was not a foreigner nor had he anything to sell; but we see later on that he would have aked to be a purchaser (960).
- 723. άγορανόμους—'they were ten in number, five for the city and five for the Peiraeus, and were chosen by lot one from each trile: cf. Vesp. 1407: Dem. Timocr. 735 § 112' (Dict. Ant.).
- 724. Ψάντας on this passage the scholiast seems to have grounded the statement that the άγορανόμοι were armed with whips. It is however doubtful; see Dict. Ant. ἐκ Λεπρών there may have been a place near Atlens called Λεπρός or Λεπροί with a tannery, as the scholiast surmises; or we may here have a reference to Lepreum in Elis, as in Αυ. 149 Another suggestion is ἐκ λεπρών sc. δερμάτων, 'because mangy hides were the toughest': while some see an allusion to λέπεω δ ἐστι τύπτεω (schol.).
- 726. μήτ' άλλος. Φασιανός—' nor any other man of information.' The pun on Φάσις and φάσις is one of many jokes on φαίνω: see 826, 917.
- 727. την στήλην—the tablet or column on which the trenty was inscribed. It was important, indeed essential: Thuc. v. 18, 10, στήλας δὲ στήσαι 'Ολυμπίασι και Πυθοί κ.τ.λ. (after the terms of peace). In 119 we read that the Athenians having a complaint against Sparta inscribed on the foot of the treaty-tablet (ὑπέγραψαν) a record that the Lacedaemonians had not abided by their oaths (.b. 56, 3).
- 719. A starving Megarian appears with two little daughters whom he wants to sell. His talk is Doric; but not always good Doric, says

Elmsley, who adds that its variations from rule may be partly the fault of copyists, but are partly no could due to the poet himself. Stage-Doric, like stage-Boeotian later on, offers a tempting field to the dialectical purist, and he will find a fully equipped guide in Dr Blaydes. See also the Glossary of forms in Dr Merry's edition. Here it is only necessary to notice a few words from time to time.

730.  $\tau v = \sigma \epsilon$ , common in Theorems. val  $\tau \delta v$   $\phi l\lambda \epsilon v = sc.$   $\Delta la$ . The name of the derty in such phrases is appropriately chosen, e.g. Plat Enthyphr. 6 B,  $\dot{a}\lambda\lambda\dot{a}$   $\mu\omega$   $\dot{\epsilon}l\pi\dot{\epsilon}$   $\pi\rho\dot{\delta}s$   $\phi\dot{\epsilon}\lambda lov$  means 'I appeal to you as a fixed to tell me': cf. 742.

731. κώρι' for κούρι', diminutive of κόρη. Blaydes suggests χοιρι' or χοιρίδι', 'ita enim dici solere puellas satis notum.' This may be true, but here it would be a mistake partly to anticipate line 739.

732. ἄμβατε—1.e. on to the stage: cf. Eq. 149, ἀνάβαινε, when the sausage seller comes on. This is one of the passages which show that in the Greek theatre the stage was raised above the orchestra, a view which has been disputed; see Dut. Ant. ii. 812. ποττάν μάδδαν, αἴ χ'—i e. πρὸς τὴν μάζαν εἶ κε (ἐαν).

733. ποτέχετ'...γαστέρα—'lepide positum pro τον νουν' (Blaydes): 'attend with all your—stomachs."

735. πεπράσθαι πεπράσθαι—both girls speak at once; cf. Ran. 184, where the triple salutation χαθρ' ω Χάρων, indicates three speakers.

737. φανεράν ζημίαν— 'a clear loss,' because they were so skinny and ill fed (Merry): Blaydes cites Antiph. com. in. 150, τὸ προῖκ' ἀποθανείν ἐστὶ φανερά ζημια: Alciphr. in. 21, ὁ δε θητειών παρ' ἡμίν ζημία καθαρά.

738. Μεγαρικά τις μαχανά here the Megarians seem credited with sharpness and rascality, while in Vesp. 57, γέλωτα Μεγαρόθεν κεκλεμμένον, they are charged with coarseness and low buffoonery. Possibly however comic stage tricks may be meant in both passages.

739. χοίρως—the word does double duty, first with ύμε σκευάσας as in 121, secondly as the object to φέρεν. φασώ the contracted Doric future; so δοξείτε (741), ιξείτε (743) etc.

740 ὁπλάς—in Homer always of the solid hoofs of horses etc.; Lut Simonides uses the word of pigs, and Hesiod and others of horned cattle (schol.). Meineke suggests στολάς for ὁπλάς, as περιθεσθε, he says, can scarcely be used with ὁπλάς. Blaydes, with Hamaker, reads τώς (i.e. ώς) χοιρια for τών χοιρίων, as ' offendit articulus in vulgata.'

741. Enws & Sofer -so 746. For this form of exhaution of command see Goodwin \$\$271-274. It is especially common in the

colloquial language of Aristophanes, and is often combined with the imperative, e.g. Ran. 627.

- 742. Έρμαν—appealed to as the god of traffic; cf. 8:6. lfeir tκω (or Doric είκω) is common in Homer but not found in tragedy or Attic prose: cf. 750.
- 743. ἄπρατα—so Blaydes and Hollen, with Ahrens. The manuscripts have τὰ πρῶτα (πρῶτα) πειρασεῖσθε τᾶς λιμοῦ, 'you shall experience the extreme of hunger,' a strange expression and a very doubtful accusative construction. τὰ πρῶτα might however be adverbial, 'in the highest degree' (Merry). For λιμός fem. see Lid. and Scott.
- 747. μυστηρικών δτι έν τοις μυστηρίοις της Δήμητρος χοίρος θύεται (schol.); cf. 764; Pac. 374,

ές χοιρίδιον μοί νυν δάνεισον τρείς δραχμάς. δεί γάρ μυηθήναί με πρίν τεθνηκέναι.

- 748. ὅπα sc. ἐστί. Soph. Αj. 103, ἢ τοὐπίτριπτον κίναδος ἐξήρου μ΄ ὅπου; Meineke and Müller read ἐγών δὲ καρυξώ. Δικαιόπολις δὲ πῷ; καρυξώ then meaning 'I will cry you for sale.'
- 750. τί ἀνήρ Μεγαρικός; -sc. πράττει οι βούλεται: so Blaydes, comparing Eur. /ph. Τ. 484, τί γὰρ ὁ Λαέρτου γόνος; Most editors read τί; ἀνήρ Μεγαρικός;
- 75:. διαπεινάμες—διά implies a competition, as in διαδω, 'to contend in singing ' The Megarian says, 'we are starving against one another'; while Dicaeopolis understands διαπίνομες, and so replies: cf. Plat. Rep. 420 D, πρός τὸ πῦρ διαπίνοντάς τε καὶ εδωχουμένους
- 753. ola δή—sc. πράττομεν. 'We fare as we do fare, as usual,' with implication that it was but so-so (Green): cf. Thue viii. 84, 3, ola δή ναθται, sc. ποιείν φιλοθσι: Ειπ. Οτ. 32, καγώ μετέσχον, οία δή γυνή, φόνου.
- 755. πρόβουλοι Aesch. Sept. 1006, δήμοι πρόβουλοις τῆσδε Καδμείας πόλεως. The στρατηγοί at Megara are meant (schol.): 'our provisional committee' (Paley). Επρασσον -with the frequent meaning of political arrangement or intrigue.
- 757. αὐτίκ' ἄρα—'then you'll soon be rid of your troubles.'  $\sigma \dot{a} \, \mu \dot{a} \nu$ ;  $\Rightarrow \tau l \, \mu \dot{\eta} \nu$ ; 'of course, yes indeed,' a common form of assent in dialogue.
- 758 Μεγαροί -adverb, from some old singular form; so Πυθοί, Ίσθμοί, etc. πῶς ἄνιος;—cf. Εq. 480, πῶς οὖν ὁ τυρὸς ἐν Βοιωτοῖς ἄνιος; cf. οὕτω, 817.
- 759. παρ' άμι-i.e. παρ' ήμῶς. This use of the accusative where the dative would be looked for can be paralleled even in Attic, e.g.

Dem. de Rhod. lib. 192 § 7, el βασιλεύς παρ' αύτον όντα με σύμβουλον ποιοίτο, πολυτίματος—often applied to the gods in the sense of 'highly honoured'; e g 807: Vesp. 1001. Here it also means 'high priced,' as in the Νήσοι, Frag. 344. 8, έξ άγορᾶς ιχθοδια τριταΐα πολυτίμητα.

760. ἄλας κ.τ.λ. see note on 521. ἄρχετε the Athenians since 427 had held the island of Minoa, and thus 'commanded' the salt traffic at Nisaea, while in another sense they 'commanded the sea' (ἄλς fein. sing ).

761. ποΐα σκόροδα; cf. 62. τῶν ἀεί—sc, σκορόδων, of our garlic crop from time to time (Green): or τῶν is relative, as in 870 (Merry).

762. δεκ' ἐσβάλητε ὅκκα (ὅκε κα) – ὅταν. For the Athenian ravages see Thue. iv. 66, 1, Μεγαρῆς πιεζομενοι ὑπό τε 'Αθηναιων ἀεὶ κατὰ ἔτος ἔκαστον δις ἐσβαλλόντων πανστρατιᾶ ἐς τὴν χώραν. τῶς ἀρουραιοι μύες—we have the same whimsical sort of order Vesp. 129,

δ δ' ώσπερεί κολοιδς αὐτῷ παττάλους ἐνέκρουεν els τον τοίχον, εἶτ' ἐξήλλετο·

cf. ib. 107.

763. πάσσακι—πάσσαξ = πάσσαλος, a peg or pin. Blaydes reads πάσσαξι, adding 'sed aliad quid requir videtur. qu. κάμαξι.' άγλιθας —the heads or cloves of garlie: 12sp 68o.

766. ἄντεινον-κρεμασας ἐπίσκεψαι πόσου βάρους είσιν (schol.). He hands one of them to Dicaeopolis, hence it e singular number.

767 rourl r6 \(\delta\nu\)-' what ever is this?': so 157: \$\(\lambda\nu\)\). 183 etc. It is a question in a tone of surprise about a fact found to be already existing.

770. This amortas—Elimsley would read baobe things this amortas, what incredulty's cf. 87. There certainly seems no special force here in the plural, which would mean instances of incredulty; the plural of abstract nouns, as Paley says, giving special acts or examples of a general principle.

772. περίδου μοι ..αl μή—i.e. 'I'll bet you it is a pg.' In Eighsh we bet that a thing is so and so, but in Greek and Latin the proposer of the wager offers to ferfeit his stake un! is he proves right. The principle holds good however the offer is expressed 'I'll bet you' or 'do you bet me,' 'I to I se' being always understood: cf. Nub. 644: Neil on Eq. 701, where περί as here is used of the stake.

In Latin we have the analogous use of ni with sponsionem facere, 1 ignus dare, e.g. Plant. Pers. ii. 2, 4, da hercle pignus no omina memini = 'I'll bet you I remember everything'; id. Rud. iii. 4, 8, date

arbitrum si tuas esse oportet nive eas esse oportet liberas: cf. ib. v. 3, 25: Cic. pro Caec. 16, 45. In all these cases what the challenger denies is introduced by si, what he affirms by mi.

θυμιτιδάν ἀλών —salt mixed with thyme: Pl.n. Nat. Hist. xxi. 21, 89, (thymum) tritum cum sale: ib. xxxi. 7, 41, conditur etiam (sal) odoribus additis. θυμιτάων from θυμίτης (1099) is read Ly Blaydes; θυματιδάν, θυμητίδων, θυμιτιδάν, being other readings "neque displiceret θυμιτίδων," from θυμίτις, as άλες is said to be fem. in Doric.

778. οὐ χρῆσθα; 'won't you?' sc. φωνείν, from χράω: Soph. Ant. 887, εἴτε χρῆ θανείν. The manuscripts have σιγῆς: many chitors however read οὐ χρῆσθα σιγῆν' but this can scarcely mean 'you ought not to be silent.' Biaydes adopts οὐ χρή τυ σιγῆν.

779. πάλιν τυ άποισώ τυ not elided; so Eq. 1225, έγω δέ τυ έστεφάνιξα. R. and some editors have τ' i e. τέ, a form cited from Theocr. i. 35, els τε καταρρεί.

788. ἀλλ'.. άδε τοι κ τ λ. handing over the second girl. τράφεν 1.e. τρεφειν: Pind. Pyth. iv. 115, Κρονιδα δέ τραφει Χείρωνι δωκαν. id. Isth. vii. 40.

798. καί κ' ανις—so most editors for κάν ἄνε . as 'dialecto Doricae non convenit ἄν.' 'Yes, and without their father too, who has himself had nothing to eat' (Merry).

803. τί δαὶ συ;—turning to the second g.rl. This line which appears in the manuscripts in various forms, τί δαὶ σῶκα, σύ κα, etc., is rejected by many editors as made up of a marginal note. It is not quoted by Suidas though he cites the lines on either side.

805. τῶν Ισχάδων-cf. 184.

807. βοθιάζουσ' 'gobble, g. zzle'; μετὰ βόθου καὶ ψόφου ἐσθιουσιν (schol.): cf. βόθος, βοθιον Thuc iv 10, 4, the rush of water from the dashing of oars. 'Ηράκλεις invoked here as proverbal for his voracity: see Ran. 549 etc.

808. **Τραγασαία** a pun from τραγείν, 'from Manchester' (Green). Trogasae was a town in the Troad.

810. ἀνειλόμαν—picked up, helped myself to: so Nub. 981, ἀνειλόσθαι. 'They can't have eaten all so quickly,' says Dicacopolis. 'No,' says the starving father, 'I got one fig for myself.'

812. πόσου πριωμαί σοι-for the full construction of Soph.

τάλλ' έγω καπνού σκιδε

ούκ άν πριαίμην άνδρὶ πρός την ήδονήν. So Pac. 1261, τούτφ ταθτ' ώνήσομαι: Ran. 1229, έγω πρίωμαι τωδ ; Note the similar construction with  $\delta \hat{\epsilon} \chi o \mu a \iota$  (and see Monto Hom. Gr. § 143, 2, 2). The original idea would be that of favour or advantage conferred.

813. The price asked by the Megarian consists of the very commodities his country had been wont to produce (Paley).

815. ταθτα δή sc. δράσω: like our 'very good, sir,' accepting an order: Ε7 τιι, ταθτ': Vesp. 142, ταθτ' & δέσποτα.

817. ούτω μ' ἀποδόσθαι for this construction of 248.

8:8. Dicheopolis having gone in to fetch the salt and garlie, an informer comes on the stage and at once makes for the Meganan.

819. φανώ cf. 519. φαίνω takes the accusative of either the thing of the person denounced: cf. 912, 914.

820. πολέμια—as contraband. τοθτ' έκειν' —cf. 41.

821. δθενπερ άρχά as Dicaeopolis had said, 516 sq

822 κλάων μεγαριείς—'l'll teach you to play the Megarian,' to talk your language and try your tricks. κλάων, 'to your cost,' as in 827.

823 φαντάδδομαι—so Meineke and Blaydes for φαντάζομαι, in the sense 'I am informed against': cf. μάδδαν (732), χρήδδετε (734).

824. ὑπὸ τοῦ; some editors have ὑπὸ του, as part of what the Megarian says. ἀγορανόμου—i.e. οἱ ἀγ. see 723. For the construction cf. 54, οἱ τοξόται.

826. τι δή μαθων; - 'who ever taught you?': so Vesp. 251. In both passages Memeke and others read τι παθών; 'what possessed you?,' a gradutous alteration and no improvement. φαίνεις—φαίνειν being either 'to show light' or 'to bring to light,' i.e. to inform against (Green). Muller thinks that ἄνευ θρυπλλίδος suggests importing withs, as in 874.

838. εἰ μή τέρωσε, κ.τ λ.—Αυ. 991, οῦκουν ἐτέρωσε χρησμολογήσεις ἐκτρέχων; where Persthetaerus beats the oracle monger.

830. η απέδου τιμης—'the price at which you sold': cf. 895. and, for the attraction, 677.

832. άμλν οδκ έπιχώριον—'it's not our folk's way,' sc. χαιρειν.

833. πολυπραγμοσύνη — may my officiousness then return on my own head: Lys. 915, els έμε τράποιτο, may the consequence fall on me': Pac. 1063, ές κεφαλήν σοί, 'omen avertentis.'

- 835. παίειν ἰφ' ἀλί 'to eat your barley cake with salt.' Here ἐπί is used of the accompanying relish, an exception to the Attic usage, ἐσθιειν δψον ἐπὶ σίτφ, ἀλφίτοις etc. (Neil on Eq. 707): cf. 964.
- 836 859. The chorus congratulate Dicaeopolis on the success of his market. He has it al. to himself; so he will escape the annoyances of the public ἀγορά with its jostling crowds and evil company. Then come in gross personal attacks on characters of the day, such as we have in the second parabasis of the Knights (1264—), and the Wasps (1265—), and generally in the later entries of the chorus.
- 836. ούκ ήκουσας -singular, as in 1015, 1042; 'chorus se ipsum alloqui videtur' Muller.
  - 837. καρπώσεται Vesp. 520, καρπουμένω την Έλλάδα.
  - 839. Krnolas -unknown, but seemingly an informer.
- 840. **ολμώζων καθεδείται** 'auxilio destitutus sedebit' (Maller); the participle being used like κλάων (822), οὐδὲ χαίρων (563).
- 842. ὑποψωνῶν—ἐπὶ ὁψωνιᾳ κακοιργῶν, προστιθεὶς τῆ ὁψωνιᾳ (schol): forestalling or outbidding you in an underhand way: cf. ὁψωνεῖν: and for the sense προτένθης (Νιιδ. 1198), and the Plautine praestino.
  - 844. ώστιεί Κλεωνύμφ -cf. 24; and for Cleonymus note on 88.
- 845. φανήν—clean, not soiled by vulgar contact: so σισύρα, Εττί.
- 846. 'Υπίρβολος—a constant butt of Aristophanes; cf. note on Vesp. 1007 He was a lamp-seller (Eq. 739) and a sort of second-rate Cleon. He was ultimately killed at Samos in 411, when Thutydides (vi.i 73, 3) speaks of him in the most contemptuous way. See Jowett's admirable note.
- 847. δικών ἀναπλήσει 'entangle you in law-suits': Plat. Ap. 32 C, βουλόμενοι ων πλειστουν ἀναπλήσαι αίτιῶν, 'to implicate.' The word has often the sense of defiling or infecting. It seems that Hyperbolus was now bringing himself into notice by getting up actions.
- 849. Kparīvos—the scholast says that some (unknown) lyric poet is meant here and in 1173. But it may be the great Cratmus himself, who certainly had a character for hard drinking, and may have been a troublesome bore in the dyopi. He was now a very old man.

  κεκαρμένος μοιχόν—'with the takish cut' (Merry). μοιχόν seems

muschievously put for κήπον, the dand es' cut, of which Hesychius writes την λεγομένην κήπον κοιρών μιξ μαχαίρα έκειροντο, i.e. with a razor. He tells us that it was a Persian style. Another style was σκάφιον, the 'bowl cut,' whereon the scholiast on Av. 806 says δύο δὲ είδη κουράς, σκάφιον καὶ κήπος, τὸ μὲν οῦν σκάφιον τὸ ἐν χρῷ (a close crop), ὁ δὲ κήπος τὸ πρὸ μετώπου κεκοσμήσθαι.

850. ὁ περιπόνηρος 'Αρτέμων - Cratinus himself is meant. περιφόρητος 'Αρτέμων is said to have been proverbial for an idle lounger. 
The first Artemon to get the name was an effenunate profligate in the time of Aristides, who never left home but in a litter. The second was an engineer under Pericles who, being laine, was conveyed from place to place, Plut. Fer. c. 27. The scholast seems to confound the two and takes the expression for a term of praise. Here, by an unexpected turn, περιπόνηρος is written for περιφόρητος.

851. ταχὺς άγαν as if he were a hasty and careless witter However in the Fregr (257) he seems spoken of with high respect, while he is called ὁ σοφός Pac. 700. ταχὸς άγαν may therefore be a compliment meaning a very rapid worker.

852 **όζων κ.τ.λ** — Eccl. 524, της κεφαλης όζω μ. ρου. There is too the impersonal construction with the same double gentive, Vesp. 1060, υμίν των ιματιων όζησει δεξιότητος.

853. marpos Tpayaraíov-another pun on Tragasae (808) and rpayos, a guat.

854. Παύσων the scholast calls him ζωγράφος πένης σκωπτολόγος. His poverty is jected at *Thesim*. 949: *Plut*. 602. According to Aristotle, *Poet.* n. 2, Παύσων δέ χείμους εξκαζε, he was a caricaturist, 'quod genus picturae contemptum fuit' (Muder)

855. Αυσίστρατος —called ὁ σκωπτόλης, 'that scurvy jester,' Γεγν 787: cf. Eq. 1266. Χολαργέων—Cholargus was a deme of the tribe Acamantis.

856. περιαλουργός κακοῖς βεβαμμένος (schol.), 'deep dyed' in villainy or misfortunes: Aesch. Ag. 946, εμβαίνονθ άλουργέσω, on tapestries of purple dye.

858. πλείν ή κ.τ.λ.—'seven days or more a week,' as we perhaps might say.

860. A Bosotian comes on the stage with a great sack of towls and animals for sale. He is attenued by a slave, and followed by a troop

of flute-players or (some say) bag-pipers. As Mitchell points out in an interesting note, the Bocot an is a hearty, cheery, straightforward fellow, very different from the starving Megaman with his vulgat jocularity and sordid tricks. Triw i.e. torw, appealing to the national hero. Tov Túxay—the actual shoulder, according to the scholiast, made callous by carrying burdens. In 954, as Mr Green points out, it seems rather to mean a porter's knot or pad, said to be an invention of Protagoras.

861. κατάθου - Ran. 627, κατάθου τὰ σκευη. γλίχων' = βλήχων', 'pennyroyal.' 'Ισμηνία -- a regular Theban name: Lys. 697, η Θηβαία φίλη καις Ισμηνία: Antigone's sister was Ismene, and Ismenus was the tutelary stream: cf. Stat. Theb. ii. 307, Ismenius heros, i.e. Polynices.

862. πάρα-here for πάρεστε, as sometimes for πάρεισι.

863. τοῖς ὀστίνοις sc. αὐλοῖς, with your bone pipes or mouth pieces. φυσήτε κ.τ.λ.—'blow up your dog skin,' i.e. your bag pipes, is one explanation. It may be right; but anyway the position of the article is apnormal. Perhaps φυσήτε means 'play,' followed by the slang name of a tune, or a parody on the title of some popular song, while τον is like τὸν 'Αρμόδιον ἀσεται (ς.80) 'the (song of) Harmodius.'

864. παῦ ἐς κόρακας—'O stop, confound it (or you)': so Av. 889' Pac. 500, ερρ' ἐς κόρακας: Nub. 133, βαλλ' ἐς κόρακας τίς ἐσθ'; 'confound it, who is this ἐ' παῦς (standing absolutely) and παῖ σαι are the imperative forms in use of σφηκές—the buzzing swa m. As Mr Green says, we talk rather of the 'droning' of bag-pipes.

865. προσέπτονθ'—see note on Vzsp 16, καταπτάμενον. There are two agrists έπτόμην and έπτάμην, the latter Leing the tragic form.

866. Χαιριδής βομβαύλιοι— 'bumble-pipe brats of Chaeris' (Green). Chaeris was a flute player, as we saw on line 16. Χαιριδεύε is formed like άετιδεύε, άλωπεκιδεύε, γαλιδεύε and the like, from åετος etc. βομβαίλιος is a conic variation of βομβυλιός, 'a numble bee' (Vesp. 107), από τοῦ βομβεῖν: Thesm. 1176, τί τὸ βόμβο τουτο; of the sound of a flute.

867 'Ioλaov—a 'Theban hero, the faithful friend of Heracles έπιχαρίττως γ' 'with all my heart,' (so, ἀπολοθνται) = επιχαρίστως as Ιττω – Ιστω. This is Elmsley's correction, adopted by most editors: it agrees with the scholiast, το δέ ἐπιχαρίτως ἀντί τοῦ κεχαριτωμένως ἡμῶν ἀπόλοιντ' ἄν. It is true that ἐπιχαριστος is not found, but we have ἀχαρίστος απ.ὶ εὐχάριστος επιχαριτως is used by Isocrates and Xenophon. Of other suggestions ἐπιχαρίττη γ', i.e. ἐπιχαρίζει, 'Υσο do me a real favour' (lilay les), or ἐπιχαρίττω γ' – ἐπεχαρίσω, scena the best; cf. 884.

869. τάνθεια—cf. φυλλεία, 469. ἀπέκιξαν—ἀπέβαλον (schol.): ἀποπεσεῖν φυσῶντες ἐποιησαν (Hes.)ch.). This tribute to the power of the pipers agrees with the caution in line 861.

871. όρταλίχων - chickens': cf. Aesch. Ag. 54: ἀλεκτρυόνων κατά τὴν τών Βοιωτών διάλεκτον (schol.). Poultry generally is meant. τετραπτερυλλίδων—meaning quadrupeds, according to Elinsley, whose view is generally accepted. The scholast suggests locusts, which certainly were eaten at a pinch (1116), but would scarcely be offered as a delicacy from Boeotia.

872 κολλικοφάγε—κόλλιξ is a coarse kind of roll, είδος άρτου περιφερούς (schol.) The Athemans were desicate in their enting. I king fish and game, and twitted the Bosotians with their appetites, as the Normans dended the Saxons (see Ivanhoe ch. 15). The concord follows the sense, like φίλε τέκνον, φιλτατ Αίγισθου βία, mea Glycerium etc. Note Βοιωτίδιον (—-αδιον), like δικαστηρίδιον Vesp. 803.

873. 60° loriv—as Paley points out, 'it is a favourite custom of the poet to combine a number of things of the most beterogened us description: cf. Vesp. 6;6: Eccl. 606.

875 ἀτταγᾶς 'vide fur endern esse quam nostrates dicunt grouse,' says Dr Blaydes, or ng Arist. Hist An. x 49, where it is classed with pheasants, partridges, etc., 'inter aves κονιστικός' Yet from Vesp. 257, τον πηλόν ώσπερ άτταγᾶς τυρβάσεις βαδίζων, some marsh or water bird would seem to be meant. Any way it was speckled (ποικίλος, Av. 761) and highly esteemed for eating.

876. χειμών .όρνιθιας—'plainly,' says Mr Green, 'the wintry wind which brings the passage-birds. Symmachus notes that such birds as the Boeotian brought come in winter: this is true enough; and our markets in a hard winter often illustrate the fact.' Names of winds end in -las, see Neil on καικίας ἢ συκοφαντίας, Eq. 437. Here 'foul weather' is an obvious joke. With the birds here mentioned compare the list in Pac. 1004,

κάκ Βοιωτών γε φεροντας ίδείν χήνας, νήττας, φαττας, τροχίλους και Κωπαδών ελθείν σπυριδάς.

879 **wint/8as**—unknown animals, some say seavers. The absurd Jugle winters, intleas is very suspicious; but we have no means of finding out the true reading.

880. intloas—'martens': Plant. Capt. 1. 2, 81, nunc ictim tenes
For evolptas, 'otters,' some keep the manuscript reading larticas evolptus
with the same meaning. eyxéxias—the eels from Copais were the

crown and flower of luxury: cf. Vesp. 510, where Van Leeuwen cites the passages in their honour.

- 881 & τερπνότατον—the verse, like the whole enthusiastic welcome of the eel, has a high flown tragic ring, but the anapaest in the and foot is only admissible in comedy. τέμαχος 'morsel' is especially used of slices of fish.
- 882. δός μοι προσειπείν—Pac. 709, δός μοι κύσαι: so Ran. 755. Soph. Aj. 538, δός μοι προσειπείν αὐτόν. For προσειπείν, 'to greet,' cf. 266, 891; Pac. 557, προσειπείν βούλομαι τὰς ἀμπέλους τὰς ἐγχέλεις 'your eels,' dependent on προσειπείν (or on both verbs). Blaydes suggests είπερ ἐγχέλεις φερεις, saying 'articulo non opus est.'
- 883. πρέσβαρα—'chief': Eur. Iph T. 963, πρέσβειρ' ήπερ ήν Έρινύων. The line is a parody of Aeschylus (Γrag. 164) δέσποινα πειτήκοντα Νηρήδων κορών, where Thetis is invoked to intervene in the dispute for the arms of Achilles.
- 884. τῷδε—as the line stands τῷδε depends on ἐπιχάριτται, an irregular order which is supported by Pac. 417, ξιλλαβε ἡμίν προθύμως τήνδε και ξυνέλκυσον, and Nub. 745. The manuscripts have τῶδε, which is retained by Muller as equivalent to τοῦδε, sc. 'from this basket.' Other editors have τῷδε οτ τεῖδε, i.e. τῷδε, while Blaydes has τυίδε as the Aeolic form. κήπιχάριτται—καὶ ἐπιχάρισαι, is the reading of R and is retained by most editors. Blaydes would prefer κἡπιχαριττη, as αι is changed into η in the Boeotian dialect, the σ being doubled in Aeolic and changed into ττ in Boeotian. A great eel is ceremoniously produced from the basket, and is greeted by Dicaeopolis with adulation.
  - 886 τρυγφδικοις χοροις-έσιτουντο γάρ οι χορευταί δημοσια (schol.).
- 887. Μορύχφ Morychus is mentioned as a noted gourmand, Vesp. 506, 1142; Pac. 1008. δμώτς a tragic word, in comedy only found here and 1174.
- 888. ἐσχάραν—a portable stove, as in Vesp. 938: Av. 1232. For ριπίδα cf. 669.

890. EKTO ... ETEL Cf. 266, EKTO o' ETEL MPOGETHON.

892. της ξένης χάριν—cf. Lys. γοι, τοίσε παισί την έταιραν έκάλεσ' έκ των γειτώνων, παίδα χρηστήν κάγαπητην έκ Βοιωτών έγχελυν.

893. Ισφερ' αὐτήν—R has ἐκφερ', which Muller and Green prefer: so Merry, so. τὴν ἐσχάραν, repeating the previous order. 'For why should the eel be taken in when the brazier was to be brought out?' Is not the meaning that the eel and cooking appliances are now to be taken to the kitchen? μηδὲ γὰρ θονών—a wicked adaptation

of the beautiful words in the Alicestes 374, μηδε γάρ θανών ποτε σου χωρίς εξην, τής μώνης πιστής εμοί.

894. ἐντετευτλιωμένης—'stewed with beet,' an approved fash on as shown by citat one in Blaydes from Athenaeus etc.; cf. Pac. 1019, δλόμαν όλόμαν άποχηρωθείς τῆς ἐν τειτλοισι λοχευομένας. There are two forms τείτλον από τευτλίον, and as Blaydes says it is hard to see how τευτλανόω can be formed from either. He therefore, with Muller and Holden, reads ἐντετευτλιωμένης (for ἐντετευτλανωμένης, τευτλιόω being formed as ἐνθριόω is formed from θρίον

896. **ἀγορῶς τέλος**—'as market to.l'· ἀγοραί are among the τέλη enumerated, Vesp. 639.

899 Ιώνγ'-ί.ε. έγωγε.

902. κέραμον 'crockery': 50 Thuc. 10 48, 2, έβαλλον τῷ κεράμψ 'with the tiling.' Έντ' is Doric for elsi: Thuc. v. 77, 4, ὅσοι τῶν Λακεδαιμονίων ξύμμαχοί ἐντι.

905. vel τω θιω = νη τω θεω, i.e. with a Theban, Amphion and Zethus. The Laconian ναλ τω σιω (Pac. 214) means Castor and Pollux, while the Athenian ladies' μὰ τω θεω (Fiel. 155) is an appeal to Demeter and Persephone. In this passage the manuscripts have ναλ τω σιώ, but the Boeotian form for θεως is θιως.

908. καὶ μήν— often used to introduce a new character: cf. 1069: Soph. Ant. 516, καὶ μην πρό πυλῶν ἥδ' Ἰσμήνη φανῶν—see φανῶ, 819.

909. ἄπαν κακόν-Τhesm. 787, παν έσμεν κακόν.

910. τωδ' έμα 1.e. τοῦδ': cf. 93: Νιιό. 1202, ημέτερα κέ, δη των σοσών.

912.  $\phi a l v \omega \pi a \lambda l \mu l \alpha - c l$ . 819.  $\tau l$  82 κακόν παθών; a variation from the usual  $\tau l$  παθων; cf 826.

913. όρναπετίοισι 'against dicky-birds.' ήρα ήρω, 2nd person of ήράμην. πολεμον αίρεσθαι is a common phrase with the dative or πρός: Aesch. Suffil. 435, ή τοισιν ή τοις πόλεμον αίρεσθαι μέγαν.

914. 71 & inclusives;—douncement i.e. hourspers is favoured by most authorities. Elimsley would prefer dounce use as present participle, which is certainly in accordance with the regular use of admin and dounced and (314 note).

915. των περιεστώτων χάριν ως φιλόπολις, is the scholiast's comment. He will inform the audience, he says, in the interests of the public. Dolinee cites Dem. de Cor. 293 § 196, έστι δε ταύτα πάντα μοι τά πολλά προς δμάς, ω άνδρες δικασταί, καὶ τους περιεστηκότας Εξωθεν και ακροωμένους. So Cicero says of his own speech for Mutena, aluquid

coronae datum, 'something was meant for the gallery' (Fin. 1v. 27, 74) The informer takes a high patriotic tone; contraband lamp-wicks, be declares, endanger the arsenal, and imperil the supremacy of the empire.

920. is ripny—diversely understood as the stalk of a plant (used like a reed for holding fire), a water-spider or beetle, and a kind of boat.

- 922. δι' ύδρορρόας—in any case the fire was to be sent in 'through a water-pipe,' not 'along a water-course,' which would be καθ' ύδρορρόαν: cf. Vesp. 126, έξεδ.δρασκε διά τῶν ὑδρορροῶν: and Rutherford on Thuc. iv. 67, 3, διά τῆς τάφρου. βορέαν ἐπιτηρήσας—cf. Thuc. ii. 77, '2. ἔδοξεν αὐτοἰς πειράσαι εἰ δύναιντο πνεϋματος γενομένου ἐπιφλέξαι την πολιν: id. in. 22, 1, τηρήσαντες νυκτα χειμέριον. A glance at the map shows that the arsenal in Petraeus faced north, and a north wind would thus spread the flames.
- 924. σελαγοϊντ' ἀν 'they would be in a blaze.' αὶ νῆς so Holden, Ribbeck and Green, following the reading of Γ. Unfortunately νῆς for νῆς is an unknown form. σελαγοϊντ ἀν ειθός is therefore read by many editors, on the strength of the scholass's explanation, εὐθος καιονται. Mr C. J Brennan (Cl. Joternal, v. 484) proposes σελαγοϊντ ἀν αἰφνης, also suggested by Bothe. It is a good suggestion as it follows the run of the letters, and shows the origin of the old commentator's note; but αἰφνης has no classical authority, Eur. Iph. Aul. 1581, where it occurs, being spurious.
- 926. μαρτύρομαι Dicaeopolis strikes the sycophant in his indignation, and he cries out for witnesses: Pac. 1119, δ παῖε παῖε τὸν Βάκιν. Β μαρτυρομαι: so ταῦτ' ἐγὰ μαρτύρομαι, Vest. 1436 etc.
- 927. ἐνδήσας φέρω Blaydes alters this to ἐνδησω φέρων The line is generally given to Dicaeopolis, who packs up the wate for the other (929, 952); the middle being used of the Boeotian packing his own purchase (905): φέρω however seems more appropriate to the Boeotian.
- 929. This line is omitted or bracketed by most editors, as 'male concinnatus' from 905 and 931.
- 932. incl rol kal 'for in fact': Ran. 509 Blaydes gives numerous instances from Plato's dialogues and from other writers.
- 933 ψοφεὶ λάλον—'has a noisy and cracked ring': δ δὲ κέραμος πυρορραγης γενόμενος σαθρον ήχεὶ (schol.): cf. Plat. Theaet. 179 D. είτε ύγιὲς είτε σαθρον φθεγγεται: κ'an. 78, πρίν γ' διν Ίοφωντα κωδωνίαω.

  Pers. iii. 21, sonat vitiom percussa. Dicaeopolis gives the informet some smart blows, as if he were testing a pot, and sharp cries follow.

- 935. τί χρήσεται—cf Flut. 941, τοῖε δ' ἐμβαδιοιε τὶ χρήσεται τις; Kruger compares this cognate use with χρήσιμόε τι, εὐδαίμων πάντα, and the like (Gk. Gr. 46. 6, 9).
  - 936. πάγχρηστον άγγος—as if he were an actual piece of crockery.
- 937. τριπτήρ δικών— 'a mortar' (Green) seems probable: but the ancient authorities say that the word means a 'receiver' for pressed out oil, σία τὰ ἐπιλήνια.
- 938. λυχνούχος -the lantern is brought in to introduce once again the play on the two meanings of φαίνω. ὑπευθύνους--Εq. 259, πιέζων τοὺς ὑπευθύνους: Vesp. 102, παρὰ τῶν ὑπευθύνων ἔχοντα χρήματα.
- 939. πράγματα—especially law business and trouble. The mildle έγκυκάσθαι suggests ' to mix up for himself.'
- 944. ωστ' with αν and the oplative, as in Nuh. 1151, ωστι αποφύγοις αν. For καταγείη, which will not scan, Cobet proposes κατεαγοίη, Müller κατάξειας, which Blaydes approves of, cf. 931, 1166. The change of subject is however against it. Note κατεάγη (Vesp. 1428) with double augment, but κατάγη (928) etc.
- 945. κατωκάρα—' head down,' to be written as one word (schol.). The informer is now packed up in straw, and bung head downwards on the porter's back.
- 948. θερίδδεν—κεμδαίνειν πολλά και καρποϋσθαι, as one scholinst explains; 'I am going, I can tell you, to make a good thing of it, reap a good harvest.' Blaydes and Holden read συνθεριδδεν, 'I am going to tie him up' like a sheaf. The sense however is poor, and the use of the word doubtful.
- 949. The reading is uncertain. I have given the manuscript text from Biaydes' edition, only reading vov before for overbepies with Meinelle, and brown for brown.
  - 050. πρόσβαλλ' όποι βούλα-i e. put him to any use you please.
- 951. πρὸς πάντα συκοφάντην— 'a first-rate all-round scoundrel.' As if χρήσιμον, δεινον, or the like had been intended (Muller). Paley, with the scholiast, takes these words with πρόσβαλλ, 'take this man too and add him to any sycophant beap,' as if σωρόν, 'rubbish-heap,' had been expected: but Muller's view agrees better with 936 sq.
- 954. τύλαν—see note on 860. As there is no instance in classical Greek of ὑποκύπτω transitive Blaydes reads λαβων for ἰών.
- 955. κατοίσεις—carry home: cf. Ran. 1153 and 1165 on κατέμχε ται: so κατάγω and κάθοδος.
- 956 πάντως μέν— 'anyhow' there's little good in hun. δλλ δρως sc. olosus, i.e. κατάφερε αὐτόν: cf. 403 etc.

- 958. συκοφαντών γ' οῦνεκα—' as far as informers go,' you may thank your good fortune that your dealings with them turn out so well.
- 959. The Boeotian departs; and a servant comes out from Lamachus' house. The coming scenes contrast the blessings of peace and plenty with the troubles and miseries of war. βωστρείς Pac. 1146: Av. 274 etc. ο τι;—cf. 106.
- 960. **ἐκέλευσ** Elmsley's correction for the manuscript reading ἐκέλευσε: cf. 1051 etc. The imperfect of κελεύω (and λέγω) is regularly used where the agrist would seem more natural; see Neil on Eq. 514: Kruger's Grammar, 53. 2, 1. ταυτησί—see note on 130.
- 961. Xóas—the second day of the Anthesteria was called of Xóes: cf. 1211. The scholiast gives the legendary origin of the feast, which is found in Eur Iph. T. 939. Its inner significance in relation to the Chthonian powers is discussed in Miss J. E. Harrison's Prolegomena to the Study of Greek Religion, art. Anthesteria, especially p. 41. See Lid. and Scott for the declension of χούs.
  - g62. Eyxehuy-sc. δοθναι.
- 963. ὁ ποῖος;—'what Lamachus is he that wants the eel?' The article with ποῖος 'denotes that the enquiry is made about the property of an object named or otherwise indicated' (Madv. 11 R. 5): so τὰ ποῖα 'which be they?' (418) etc. Note the elliptic form of the dialogue, in which the verb is to be supplied from what goes before.
- 964. δ δεινός, δ ταλαύρινος—Pac. 241, where the same words are epithets of πόλεμος. Hom. //. v. 289, ταλαύρινον πολεμιστής.
- 967. ἐπὶ ταρίχαι ἐπί, as a reash, to season. The sense is, let him have salt fish and plume sauce; let him make the best of his field rations.
- 968. ἀπολιγαίνη -θορυβή ή όξέως βοβ (schol.). λιγαίνω Hom. //.
  xi 685, κήρυκες δ' έλίγαινον, i.e. λιγέως εφώνουν: cf. Aesch. δερί. 873
  The compound with ἀπό implies vehement expostulation.

  τοὺς
  ἀγορανόμους—cf. 824. καλῶ is future.
- 970. ὑπαὶ πτερύγων to the flutter of wings' (Blaydes); which rustle and wave as he carries in his feathered purchases (τόδε το φορτίον). ὑπό of accompanying sound, e.g. Soph. Ελ. ὑ30, ὑπὶ τὸ φήμων βοῆς θῦσαι: cf. αλ t. ὑιαπ, calamos etc. Here the μοείκε ίστης ὑπολ

and κιχλών show that we have a fragment or reminiscence of some song: ο δε τρόπος ποιητικός: μιμείται δε το μέλος (schol.). Dicaeopolis now goes in and the chorus again comes forward.

972. τον φρόνιμον. οί' έχει—a good illustration of the construction noted on 338.

975. xhiapa 'warm,' i.e. cooked, some of his goods are eatables.

979. Πόλεμον—personshed, as in Pac. 205, and more or less Nub. 6, ἀπόλοιο δήτ' & πόλεμε. ὑποδέξομαι 'will I welcome, receive under my roof': Hdt 1, 44, ολείοισι ὑποδέξαμενος τον ξείνον.

980.  $\pi \alpha \rho^*$  inc. be shall never come to a party at my house and join in singleg catches.  $\tau \delta \nu$  'ApploSion is the scollam  $\phi.\lambda \tau \alpha \theta$ ' 'ApploSi'  $\kappa.\tau.\lambda$ ., part of which is preserved in Athen. xv. 50. (694): see notes on Vest. 1222 sq.

981 ξυγκατακλινείς—'sitting at my table' as we should say: cf. κατακλινομαι, which is common παροινικός—'riotous'; Elmsley's almost certain emendation for παροίνιος. Εκρ. 1300, παρονικώτατος.

982 ἐπικωμάσας—μετά φθοράς είσπεσών (schol.): cf. κώμος, κωμάζω. Plat. Rep. 500 B, ἐπεισκεκωμακότας, of noisy and violent intruders.

984. προκαλουμένου sc έμοῦ: cf. 538.

985. κατάκεισο ne. take a seat and join our party. φιλοτησίαν – sc. κυλικα: Ι μs. 203, κύλιξ φ.λοτησία, the loving cup.

486. rds xápakas - the vine-props. After his notous inroad, War rished out again an i legan a wanton destruction.

988. ούτοσι δ' ἐπτέρωται τ'—this is the reading in Blaydes' eation, Herworden having found ἔπτερται τ' in faint letters in the Kavenna mar ascript, while a cretic foot — is needed to correspond to the strephe. The line has been hitherto edited with a lacuna, ται τ' ἐπι, a verb leing plantly indicated; while the schol as 's explanation is ἐπείγει, σπευδει, σποιδάζει περί τὸ δείπνον. The meaning then is 'he is excited for (about) his dinner! μεγάλα δή φρονεί—his price and satisfaction are shown in the next line.

989 του βίου δείγμα - 'as a proof or sample of his good hving' εύντροφε - with dative, Soph. El. 1190, τοις φονείσι συντροφος: with

genitive, Av. 579. Anakayn the chorus apostrophises Peace as a beautiful maden; and the next line seems to show that she was actually brought on the stage.

- 990. ως καλόν...ἄρ' κ.τ λ.~ 'how fair your face is, though we knew it not.' ἄρα with the imperfect, usually ἦν, expresses a fact just recognised by the speaker (Goodwin, § 39): cf. Eq. 1170, ως μέγαν ἄρ' είχες, ποτνία, τὸν δάκτυλον.
- 991. πῶς ἄν—expressing a wish: as in Soph. Aj. 389, πῶς ἄν δλοίμην; The other instances quoted from Aristophanes, e.g. Eq. 16, 17, are more strictly interrogative.
- 992. ὁ γεγραμμένος "that in the picture': Aesch. Eum. 50, είδον ποτ' ήδη γεγραμμένας. Some famous picture is plainly meant, probably one newly painted; and the scholiast says that Zeuxis εγραψεν "Ερωτα ώραιδτατον εστεμμένον ρόδοις in the temple of Aphrodite at Athens. Apparently Zeuxis came to Athens at the beginning of the war; though Pliny puts his date later (Nat. Hist. xxxv. 9, 36).
- 993. νενόμικας Eq. 714, τον δήμον σεαυτοῦ νενόμικας, 'you hold, believe,' the perfect implying a fixed conviction.
- 994. προσβαλείν—'add'; there are three things more that I think at least I could still do.
- 995. δρχον-ορχος και ορχατος στίχος άμπελων ή ετερων φυτών (schol.). ελάσαι draw, i.e. plant in line: cf. Hes. Op. 441, δς lθείων αθλακ' ελαυνοι: so with έρκος, ταφρος, τείχος: cf. aucere vailan, fossam etc.
  - 996. via morxibia-young shoots.
- 997. ὄρχον here most manuscripts have κλάδον, which however does not scan. Some editors adopt Brunck's suggestion όσχον, a shoot or branch. But όρχον, which is found in one manuscript, goes bet er with έλάσαι.
- ήμερίδος—the cultivated (ήμερος) vine, perhaps trained from tree to tree, vitis arbustiva. The schonast gives a whimsical derivation of the name, ή άμπελος, ως φησιε "Ομηρος, ήμερὶς ήβώωσα (Od. v 69), είρηται δὲ διὰ τὸ ήμερῶσαι τὸ τῶν ἀνθρώπων φῦλον,
- 998. το χωρίον—the farm or plantation. ελάδας—cf. Dem. in Nicostr. 1251, § 16, where the speaker complains of an e.e.my for breaking down his φυτευτήρια έλαῶν περιστοιχων, 'set round his property.'
- 999. ταις νουμηνίαις when 'Athenis sacra privata agebantur' (Muller) · cf Vesp. 96, λιβανωτόν ἐπιτιθείς νουμηνία.

1000. Henceforth the scene is laid in the festival of the Xôss, the second day of the Anthesteria; see Dict. Ant. i. 638. Dicaeopol's is busy with preparations for his banquet; when a herald comes forward to announce the opening of the dranking contest.

άκούετε λεώ .πίνειν—'oyez, oyez!' the regular form of solemn proclamation. Pac. 551, άκούετε λεώ τοις γεωργούς ἀπιέναι: so Av. 448. τούς χόας—Muller's view seems right, that this means the actual measures of wine provided for the drinking contest, rather than the name of the feast with πίνειν put for ἄγειν.

1001. πίνειν for the infinitive see 172. ὑπὸ τῆς σάλπιγγος—1 e. when the signal is given: cf. 970: Thuc. v. 70, 1, χωρούντες βραδέως και ὑπο αὐλητῶν πολλῶν.

1001. ἀσκον Κτησιφώντος—instead of άσκον οίνου, see 1225. Ctes phon is unknown; ως παχύς καὶ προγάστωρ σκώπτεται (schol.). Quotations in Athenaeus show that pot belied men given to drinking were called aσκοί.

1003. & παίδες, κ.τ.λ. -Dicaeopolis hurries on the cooking, that all may be ready before the trumpet gives the signal. He is plainly making liberal preparations.

1005. **ἐξοπτάτε, τρέπετε**— Εμα 839, σου έργον ήδη τοϋτον όπταν καὶ τρέπεω: Hor. Sat. 1. 5. 72, macros dum turdos versat in igni.

1006. τα λαγώα—sc κρέα: Vesp. 709. έν πάσι λαγώσις: cl. 1026.

1007. ὁβελίσκους 'skewers' for roasting small birds. ἀναπείρω—'spit': Hom. II. 11. 426, σπλάγχνα δ dρ' ἀμπείραντες. Elmsley, following Bentley, reads ἀναπήξω, comparing E cl. 843, λαγφ' ἀναπηγνιασι, as πείρω and its compounds are rare in Att c poets

1008. ζηλώ σε τής εύβουλίας— Vesp. 1450, ζηλώ σε τής εύτυχίας

1014. ὑποσκάλευε ἀναφύσα, ζωπύρει (schol.) · rather 'poke the fire,' or 'rake out the ashes': Γας. 440, σκαλεύοντ' ἄνθρακας · see σκάλλω.

1016. δειπνητικώς cf. Εq. 18, κομφευριπικώς: Ran. 1386, έριοπωλικώς etc.

peace, we have some characters who have suffered troubles from the war; indeed the parallel of contrasts is kept up to the end of the play First a husbandman enters weeping and lamenting. & 'Hourse appealed to as alefthanos, as in Nub. 1371, 'heaven preserve us.'

1019. κατά σεαυτόν νυν τρέπου i.e. go your own way, keep your troubles to yourself, 'd.ctum omen aversantis'; so Nub. 1263.

1021. καν-'if only for five years.' καὶ ἄν (ἐάν) sc. μετρήσης: Vesp. 92, καν άχνην (sc. καταμύση). The double idea of treaty and wine is kept up.

1022. ἐπετρίβην ἀπωλόμην (schol.): Ρας. 369, ἐπιτέτριψαι: Αν. 1530, ἐπιτριβείης – ἀπόλοιο: Νιιδ. 243, νόσος μ' ἐπέτριψεν ἰππική.

1023. Φυλής Phyle was an Attic deme and fortress in the tribe Ocneis on the borders of Bocotia. It was in Phyle that Thrasybulus and the Athenian patriots established themselves in 404 and carried on operations against the Thirty, cf. Plut. 1146, μή μνησικακήσης εί σὺ Φυλήν κατέλαβες.

1024. «Τα λευκόν άμπέχει; i.e. he ought to be in mourning.

1025. και ταθτα-cf. 168. ώπερ-sc. τω βδε.

1026. ἐν πῶσι βολίτοις -the agricultural equivalent of ἐν πῶσιν dγαθοῖς (978, 983). For ἐν, 'amidst,' cf. Vesp. 709, δύο μιριάδ' ἄν των δημοτικών ἔζιων ἐν πὰσι λαγψοις, i.e. in the enjoyment of every luxury.

1028. άλλ' εἴ τι κήδει—a tragic appeal in tragic rhythm: Nub. 106, άλλ' εἴ τι κήδει τῶν πατρώων άλφίτων.

1030. πονήρ'—'luckless.' The grammarians say that the accent with this meaning should be πόνηρος. δημοσιεύων—'pa ish doctor' (Green). We learn from Plat. Gorg. 455 B, 514 D sq. that there were public physicians appointed: οι δημοσία χειροτονούμενοι Ιατροί προίκα εθεράπευον (schol). δημοσιεύω is also generally opposed to ιδιωτεύω, and so we get the further meaning that Dicaeopolis is not a public peace-monger.

1031. 10' 'come do,' with imperative implied. κομίσωμαι—'get back'; common in Thucydides of recovering the 1.11d

1032. τους Πιττάλου—sc. μαθητάς (schol.). P.ttalus occurs again in 1222 and in Vesp. 1432.

1033. σδ δ' άλλά-cf. 191: 458.

1034. καλαμίσκον—either an actual reed, or a metal case as the scholast cays.

1035. ούδ' ἄν στριβιλικίγξ - ' not the faintest squeak': στρίβος δὲ καλείται ἡ λεπτή και όξεια βιή, λίκιγξ δὲ ἡ ἐλαχίστη βοή τοῦ όρνἐου (schol.).

1040. χορδής 'sausage,' 1119: Nub. 455. cf. χορδεύω, καταχορδεύω (Hdt. vi. 75). τό μέλι -used, as Merry points out, for every purpose for which we now use sugar. 'It is like sweet sauce, or currantjelly with roast bare or mutton.' 1041. στάθευε - 'broil': Eccl. 127, σηπίαις έσταθμειμέναις. σηπία and τευθις (1156) are often mentioned together.

1042. όρθιασμάτων—ι.e. his loud orders, cf. δρθιος (16), δρθιάζω etc. τάγχέλεια—sc. κρέα, like λαγ ψα, βόεια etc.

1046. λάσκων see 410.

1047. ξανβίζετε-'brown': 1106, καλυν γε καὶ ξανθόν.

1048. Enter a παράνυμφος, 'best min': δ δε καλούμενος παράνυμφος νυμφεντής δνομάζεται και πάροχος (as accompanying the bride in a carriage), Poll. in. 40.

1049. ταυτί κρέα-see 960.

1000. ἐκ τῶν γάμων—ὶ e. from the feast: Pac. 1192. ὅσον τὸ χρημ ἐπὶ δείπνον ῆλθ' ἐν τοὺν γαμουν, where follow the details of samptuous preparation. καλῶς γε ποιῶν— 'very good of him, I thank him': Plut. 863, καλῶς ποιῶν ἀπόλλυται = I am glad of it. γε as in 867: Vesp. 508 ἐν δικη γε etc.

1053. άλάβαστον—a casket or bottle; άλαβαστρος is the later non Attac form; cf. nardi parvas onj x (Hor. Od. iv. 12, 17)

1055 χιλιῶν δραχμῶν—'not for a thousand drachmas'; genitive of price: Dem ii Fhil. 68, § 10, μηδενδε κέρδους τα κοινά δικαια προέσθαι.

1056 αὐτηί—the νυμφεύτρια, budesmaid, who comes in as the παράπιμφος is about to go.

1058. ώς γελοΐον—τοι το φησιν ώς άκούσας προς τό οδε (schol): for the bridesmaid is a 'muta persona,' and she has made a show of whispening with Dicaeopolis.

1062. ågla-"there is little reason for disturbing this, and reading airia, as many do. She is a woman and does not deserve war (the ids of war) is quite intelligible." (Green).

1068. X6as—Blaydes prefers Xoas, i.e. for the festival, as in 1076; but cf. 1086.

1071. μάχαι και Δάμαχοι-cf. 269.

1072. Lamachus appears from his house with a speech of tragic dignity. χαλκοφάλαρα—'bronze trapped' i.e. adorned with arms, shields and helmets, from φάλα, α. Blaydes siggests a derivation from φαλάρδε, in the sense of bright; see Lid. and Scott for the word in Theoretius.

1073. exélevoy-imperfect, as in 960, 1051.

1074. τούς λόχους κ.τ.λ.--cf. 575.

1075. νιφόμενον 'in the snow,' the time being early in March τds ἐσβολάς—'the passes': Thuc, iv, 83, 1, ἐπὶ τἢ ἐσβολῆ τῆς Λύγκου.

1076. ὑπό-of time, 'about'; during the festival, when they might find the Athenians off their guard. Χύτρους-the third day of the Anthesteria.

1077. ἐμβαλεῖν - Ρας. 701, ὅθ' οἱ Λάκωνες ἐνέβαλον: Hdt. 1v. 125 etc.: ἐσβάλλω is more usual in Attic, as in 762.

1078. στρατηγοί see note on 598. πλείονες ή βελτίονες. Thuc. ii. 42, 3, άξυνετώτερος δόξας είναι ή άδικώτερος.

1080. πολεμολαμαχαϊκόν 'vox comice ficta, alludens ad Λάμαχος, μάχη, άχος, 'Αχαϊκός' (Müller): cf. 267.

1082. Γηρνόνη τετραπτίλφ 'a four-plamed Geryon'; for τρισωμάτω. Geryon, slain by Heracles, was a monster with three heads or three bodies, Hes Theog. 287: Aesch. Ag. 870: Eur. Herc. F 423. Dicaeopolis being threatened by Lamachus puts himse f into some burlesque attitude of defence; perhaps s icking feathers on his shoulders, or holding out (as Blaydes suggests) a hare in boxing attitude, δείκνυσε δὲ αὐτῷ τι τῶν τετραπτεριλλιδων ἄμα τοῦτο λέγων (schol.): cf 871.

1084. τίνα δ' αν μοι κ.τ.λ. - Dicaeopolis in his turn (αν) now gets an urgent summons; and then throughout the scene the contrast is kept up between the two heroes who occupy each a side of the stage.

1086. την κίστην—the guests being expected to bring the main part of their entertainment, while the host provided dessert and accessories such as are enumerated 1000—4.

κίστη is the general word for a box; cf. 1137: Hom. Od vi. 76,
μήτηρ δ' ἐν κίστη ἐτίθει μενοεικέ' ἐδωδην
παντοίην, ἐν δ' δψα τίθει:

1087. ὁ τοῦ Διονύσου ἱερεύς—Λ'an. 297, leped, διαφυλαζον μ' ἴν' ὧ σοι ξυμπότης. The priest of Dionysus gave a banquet at the festival, see also Eq. 536, where we find that he had the place of honour in the theatre.

1088. wahai-with present, as in 576.

1089. το δ' άλλα—see the somewhat similar list, Eccl. 838: and several passages cited by Blaydes.

1093. τα φίλταθ' 'Αρμοδίου-- 'dancing girls, the favourites of Harmodius, pretty girls too.' So Paley, and taking the text as it stands, what else can it mean? The scholiast indeed says, δρχηστριδες πάρεισι καλαί, και τὰ φιλτατα 'Αρμοδίου, i.e. this favourite song is to be sung: such a position of kahal is however scarcely to erable. Brunck's explanation is that the dancing girls are called the 'delights of the Harmodius' because they came in at the end of the banquet when the lay was sung (see 940). This is very ingenious and very unconvincing; who would call them the pets of Harmodius, unless indeed he meant some admirer's name? As φίλταθ' 'Αρμόδι' are the actual words of the song Baydes at first suggested το φιλταθ' 'Aρμόδι' άδεται, the 'dear Harmodius' is (to be) sung: cf. Nub. 1174. τὸ τί λέγεις σὸ; your 'what's that?'. A conjecture on the same lines which I owe to Dr Jackson is nearer to the text, τὸ φίλταθ' Αρμόδι οὐ rakel; i.e. 'don't you hear the invitation?'. In his later notes Blaydes prefets τὰ φίλταθ' 'Αρμοδίου (οτ φιλταθαρμοδίου, 1 e. φιλτατου 'Αρμοδίου) uehn.

Togs. μεγάλην έπεγράφου—'you had painted on your shield the Gorgon as large as life' (Paley): cf. 574. This involves the meaning 'you made the Gorgon your patron,' as the μέτοικαι had to 'enter for themselves' or 'get enrolled' the name of some citizen as προστότης: Par. 684, αὐτῷ πονηρον προστάτην ἐπεγράψατο: Soph. Oed. T. 411, ῶστ' οὐ Κρέοντος προστάτου γεγράψομαι. Lamachus having complained of his evil genius, Dicaeopolis taunts him with the justice of his fate for having selected the Gorgon as his δαίμων (M.tchell).

In regard to reading, μεγαλην την Γοργόνα seems scarcely right, for what force is there in μεγάλην as a predicate? Blaydes reads έπιγέγραψαι (perf. mid.) Γοργόνα, οτ και γάρ σύ την μεγαλην έπεγράφου Γοργόνα.

1096. ξυγκλης—'shut up the house': so Eq. 1317, with τὰ δικαστήρια καὶ δεῖπνόν τις Blayles reads παὶ δεῖπνόν τε συσκευαζέ μοι, on the ground that συσκευάζω, as in Vesp. 1351, is to pack up a dinner, which is what Dicaeopolis now orders. ἐνσκευαζέτω is rendered 'get ready,' at this is not its usual meaning; cf. 384.

1097. γύλιον —a wicker basket for provisions on service: of Pac. 527, where it is called Εχθιστον πλέκος.

1098. Morny-see 1086. While Lamachus gets ready for the march, Dicaeopolis prepares for the banquet, mocking his orders and deciding his unsavoury supplies.

- 1099. ἄλας θυμίτας—thyme mixed with salt: cf. 772 olde—this imperative occurs 1121, and Ran. 482, and in some comic fragments; also Hom. Od. xx.i. 106: οἰσέτω, Π. xix. 173. Ve.tch calls it a 2nd aorist form, and considers that such instances as Od. xx. 154, οἴσετε: Pind. Pyth. iv. 102, φαμί οἴσειν, may be future.
- 1100. τεμάχη—cf. 881. κρομμέσις. ἄχθομαι—he hates sold ers' fare, see 550. So in the *Peace* cited above Trygaeus is disgusted with the onion-smell of the soldiers' γύλιος.
- rioi. θρίον ταρίχους—'a figleaf full of salt fish,' as Blaydes explains. θρίον also means, according to the scholiast, a sort of savoury pancake (see Lid. and Scott). This may be the meaning in the next line. σαπρού—'stale,' ἀντι τοῦ παλαιοῦ και μὴ νέον (schol.).
  - 1102. ἀπτήσω δ' έκει-i e. at the house of h.s entertamer.
- 1105. της στρουθού i.e. the ostrich, called ὁ μέγας στρουθός (Xen. Anab. i. 5, 2), στρουθός καταγαίος (Hdt. iv. 175), στρουθοκάμηλος, etc. The word is feminine in Aristophanes, but usually masculine.
  - 1106. ξανθόν cf. 1047, ξανθιζετε.
- 1107. Lines 1101 2, used to come in here in the older editions. λοφείον—the case for the λόφω: Νυό. 751.
- 1109.  $\Delta\lambda\lambda$ '  $\eta$ —' but (I am mistaken) or' (Green) = indeed, as suredly. Muller reads  $\Delta\lambda\lambda$ '  $\eta$ , which is an interrogative expression; see Neil on Eq. 963
- 1110. μίμαρκυν—a sort of stew or ragout, especially of hare (schol.).
- 1115 περιδόσθαι—cl. 772. ἐπιτρέψαι— Vesp. 521, τουτοισί γ΄ ἐπιτρέψαι θέλω: Ran. 529, τοῖι θεοίσιν ἐπιτρέπω.
- 1116. dxp(Ses the mean sort of fare which Lamachus nught be
- 1117. οζμ' ώς a common beginning, e.g. Nub. 1238, οίμ' ώς καταγελάς. κρίνει—Καπ. 1473, ἔκρινα νικάν Αίσχυλον. Aesch. Choeph 903, κρίνω σὲ νικάν. πολύ—sc. ἤδιον είναι, as if the mere comparison were an insult.
- 1119. ἀφελών—sc. from the splt or fire. The spear in its case is parodled by bringing in a long sausage or black-pudding (χορδην) in its skin. So we have the sausage and serpent oracle Eq. 206—8.
  - 1121. ἀντέχου-' hold on' to the spear case, and the spit.
- 1222. κιλλίβαντας—τρισκελή τινά ξυλα (schol.); a three legged stand like a painter's easel.
- 1123. της έμης -sc. γαστρός, schol. Τος κριβανίτας εc. άρτους see 87. έπαιξε δέ χαριέντως, ότι και ούτοι περιφερείς ώς αλ άσπίδες schol.

Bring me the props with which to stay my shield," cries the hero. And me the roles with which to stay—my stomach."

1124. γοργόνωτον ἀσπίδος κύκλον Lamachas speaks in right tragic style; cf. Aesch. Sept. 489, ἀσπίδος κίκλον λέγω. Europiles has χρυσευνωτος, χαλκόνωτος, σιδηρονωτός as epithets of shields.

1125. τυρόνωτον a word recommended by its absurdity; Meincke however approves of γιρόνωτον, which is simply 'round-backed.'

- tiz6. πλατύς—'broad' or 'flat,' i.e. downinght, like our 'flat blasphemy'; an epithet of γέλως in some late writers (see Mitchel.), though no instance is cited from classical Greek
  - 1128. κατάχα-over the shield, which he now begins to furbish up.
- 1129 δειλίας φευξούμενον—cf. Ly 368, διώξομαι σε δειλιας (see Ne l), Vesp. 718, ξενιας φείγων. Note that the Doric future φειξοιμαι is only used when required by the matte, so Prit 447, φευξούμεθα.
- 1130. κατάχει see 1040. Dicaeo his pretends to see his own face reflected in the honey. εύδηλος κελεύων Dem. Meg. 204 § 9. εύδηλοι πάσιν έσεσθε βοιλόμενοι. Meineke prefers ένδηλοι, cf. Εγ. 1277.
- 1131. τον Γοργάσου in allasion to the Gorgon shield: cf. 118: 1150: Vesp. 459, Αlσχίνην τον Σελαρτίου. Lamachus was really the son of Xenophanes, Thuc. vii 8, 2.
- 1133. θώρακα του χόα so the old dieast in the Wasps (615) holds out his cup and boasts τοδε κέκτημαι πρόβλημα κακών, σκευήν βελέων αλεωρήν.
- 1135. ἐν τῷδε θωρήξομαι—'I will brace me': thus protected he will 'hold his own' against all comers: θωρήσσομαι having a convisual meaning 'to warm the chest' with wine, a use which appears in Theogras, see Pac. 1286, where there is a play on the double meaning of the word.
- 1136. **(K—we say 'on': Hom.** Od, v ii. 67, with  $\kappa\rho\ell\mu\alpha\sigma\epsilon\nu$ , ib. xii. 57, with  $\dot{\alpha}\nu\eta\phi\theta\omega$ . The Greek shows that a thing stands out from what it is fied to.
- 1141. βαβαιάξ see 64: it represents the sound of the tongue smacked against the teeth, which expresses different emotions, like the Latin papae. χειμέρια τὰ πράγματα 'things look wintry': for πράγματα, 'state of things,' cf. Visp. 1474. ἄπορα πράγματα: 1496, μανικά πραγματα. 'A chary to h,' says the hero: 'a cheery one,' is the reveller's response.
- 1141. Muller considers that Dugeopolis should have two lines corresponding to what Lamachus has; he therefore suggests as possible:

αίρου τὸ δείπτου, και βάδιζ', ὦ παῖ, λαβών' loύ. παπαιάξ' ξυμποτικά τὰ πράγματα.

Klotz and Herwerden propose much the same.

Lamachus and Dicaeopolis now leave the stage on opposite sides, followed by their slaves with their respective loads.

1143 1173 The chorus now come forward in a sort of second parabasis, consisting of a κομμάτιον with a strophe and a it strophe; see note on Vesp. 1165. These second appearances usually contain, as they do here, a series of personal attacks on people of the day.

1143. **Γτε δή χαίροντες**— 'formula in initio parabasium usitatissima'. Ε.γ. 498: Nub. 510, άλλ' ίθι χαίρων: Verp. 1109, άλλ' ίτε χαίροντες

(Müller).

1145. τῷ μέν -sc. ἡ ἀδὸς ἔσται.

tr46. ριγών—infinitive of ριγόω, which generally has an irregular (Doric) contraction ω, ω, instead of σι, σι: see note on Vesp. 446. προφυλάτταν—absolutely, of keeping advanced guard: Thuc. 11. 93. 3. ναυτικόν προφυλάσσον.

1150. 'Aντίμαχον---Antimachus, it seems, was choregus in the year 427 when Aristophanes produced the Banqueters. It came out in the name of Callistratus, and, though there was no secret as to the real author, Antimachus did not condescend to invite h.m. Another view is that his entertainment of the chorus generally was on a niggardly scale. τον Ψακάδος he was called ψακαι himself 'the sputterer' from his unpleasant habit, ἐπειδή προσέρραψε τοὺς συνομιλοῦντας διαλεγόμενος (schol). τον μέλεον --so Elmsley for τον ξυγγραφή, which does not suit the metre, and is regarded as an annotation referring to some other Antimachus. μελέων for μελών occurs Αυ. 744, 749 in a chorus.

1151. ώς μὲν ἀπλῷ λόγῳ sc. εἰπεῖν, 'to speak plainly'; but, as Blaydes says, 'exemplum hurus dictionis desidero.'

1155. Δήναια χορηγών—Dem. Meid. 535 § 64, χορηγοθντα παισι Διοιώσια. It is a sort of cognate accusative in later Greek χορηγείν means to supply This line shows that the Babylonians is not meant, for it was produced at the great Dionysia; see 503. ἀπίλυσ' ἄδειπνον

this would seem to mean dismissing the chorus without their supper; while areads, which Muller reads, with Elmsley, would suggest excluding the poet personally from the final banquet.

1156. enthough - may I live to see'; especially of beholding

cisaster,  $\tau \delta$  excison is ext  $\tau \delta$  node ext sumposs thetae: Soph, Track, 1037 the idd excison nessed are: cf. Plat. Gory 473 c.  $\tau \epsilon v \delta (\delta \sigma s)$  of, the comic cutse, Eq. 929,  $\tau \delta$  her  $\tau \delta \gamma n v \sigma r$  tended in expectate size  $\kappa.\tau.\lambda$ . The  $\tau \epsilon v \theta is$ , smaller and more delicate than the  $\tau \epsilon \delta \theta o s$  and  $\sigma \eta \pi i a$  does not seem to have been thought a dainty dish except when served very bot in the frying pan as here '(Neil).

1158. σίζουσα 'sizzling,' as they say in Norfolk, or 'fizzing.' πάραλος—'ty the sea side,' i.e., as the schol ast says, by the side of the salt. Commentators mostly detect some joke on the state-galley Paral is and 'running ashore' which follows. Muller reads παρ' ἀλός = fresh from the sea. ἐπὶ τραπέζη καιμένη means ready to be served up. I orgetting that the tables were brought in like trays, one commentator suggests ἐπὶ τραπέζη καιμένη, 'laid, set out,' and another ἐπὶ σαγηνου, 'in the fryug pan'

1159 ἀκέλλοι 'may it run aground,' i.e. fall on the floor, table an a, and get wrecked. μέλλοντος λαβείν—μέλλω, meaning 'I am about to,' usually takes the future or present infinitive, but the acrist is found Av 367: Lys. 118: and in Aesthylus and Euripides. see Goodw n § 73.

1 165 ήπιαλών. βαδίζων—the sense shows that Antimachus is meant; the nominative is then left 'pendert,' and a new subject brought in : so perhaps 1182.

1166. 'Opéστης—Av. 1490 νύκτωρ Opeστης. Orestes may simply mean some madman, that hero's frenzy being proversial or, say others, a certain ruffian, son of Timocrates, is meant, who used to rob passers by in pretended madness.

1173. Kpativov-see 840.

'The progress of the piece,' says M'tchell, 'evidently requires here some little pageant or spectacle, and such it was the poet's usual practice to supply in the shape of a procession, a britial pomp, a mock inauguration, or some dance of novel construction.' He suggests as stage direction. 'Scene, the Louse of the high priest of Bacchus, with that of Lamachus adjuming. The stage displays the usual preparations for a magnificent repast, accompanied by superb vases filled with costly perfumes, and a rich profusion of chaplets and garlands, composed of flowers of all seasons of the year. Other adjuncts of a grand Atheman

entertalnment are seen, in groups of tumlilers, jugglers, ball players, and wavers of the torch. But the most conspicuous for elegance of dress and grace of person, are the dancing and music women, lyrists, citharists, and players on the flute. Between two of the most attractive of the latter, and with a face of the most joyous hilarity, is seen Dicaeopol's the representative of the peace party. In his right hand he holds aske the other guests, a flagon of gold, prepared at the given signal to celebrate the distinctive rite of the Feast of Pitchers. The gay scene is suddenly disturbed by paintive music and cries of distress, and a messenger abruptly enters.

1774. A messenger arrives in baste, announcing that Lamachus is being brought home wounded.

δμῶες -the word is tragic, as is the whole line; cf. 887.

1177. ἔρι' οἰσυπηρά—steep's wool with the grease in, οἰσύπη being ὁ ῥίπος τῶν εριων. λαμπάδιον—here apparently 'a bandage,' λεπτὸν ἐριδιον οι επιδέσμοι είδος, οἱ δὲ νάρθηκα, 'a splint' (schol.). περὶ τὸ σφυρόν—' to put round the ankle.'

1178 διαπηδών τάφρον—eleven years after Lamachus was actually slain before Syracuse επιδιαβάς τάφρον τινά και μονωθείς, Thuc. vi. 102, 5.

1179. παλίνορρον from πάλω and δρνιμι, predicate or adverb, 'wrenched backwards.' εξεκόκκωσεν—'put out'; for other metal horical uses of the word (from κόκκος, seed or kernel), see Pac. 63: /ys 448.

1180. της κεφαλής κατέαγε—cf. note on Vesp. 1428, κατεάγη της κεφαλής. The genitive is probably partitive, κατέαγε is and perfect. We have it with a limiting accusative Plut. 545. περλ λίθφ—so Blaydes and Bekker with R, comparing Pac 904, κείσονται περλ ταίσι καμπαῖς πεπτωκότες. Lamachus was lamed in crossing the ditch and fell with his head on a stone.

1181—1188. These lines are rejected by Meineke and regarded with suspicion by most editors. There is certainly much to be said against them. The whole passage as it stands is incoherent and indeed absurd, while 1189 would follow 1180 with perfect sense. To go into details, 1181 is an almost unmeaning reminiscence of 574; 1182 recalls \$89 and the words before it; while the whole language is unsuitable to a slave. Still, how did the lines get here? They may indeed be meant for an elaborate lurlesque of tragic speech, but even then we can scarcely justify such nonsense as 1186—8 coming where they do.

1182. #Tilov .. #erov - as the text stands this is an instance of the nominative absolute (cf. 1165); unless indeed we accept the height of

absurdity and make the  $\pi\tau l\lambda o\nu$  itself address the sun.  $\lambda l\pi \dot{\omega}\nu$  in agreement with  $\dot{a}\nu\dot{\eta}\rho$  has been suggested for  $\pi\epsilon\sigma\delta\nu$ .

1184. δ κλεινὸν ὄμμα—apparently a tragic or quasi-tragic address of a dying warrior to the light. It recalls the well-known words:

σè δ', ὦ φαεννης ημέρας τὸ νῦν σέλας, καὶ τὸν διφρευτην ηλιον προσεννέπω, πανύστατον δη κοῦποτ' αὖθις ὅστερον.

(Soph. Aj. 856—8):

κλεινδν  $\delta\mu\mu\alpha$  might thus be the sun. Most editors however take it to be the  $\pi\tau i\lambda o\nu$ , which Lamachus apostrophises as 'glorious sight'; see Lid. and Scott  $\delta\mu\mu\alpha$ , v.

- 1186. ὑδρορρόαν—a water-course; see 922.
- 1188.  $\lambda \eta \sigma \tau ds \kappa.\tau.\lambda$ .—this single line might come after 1178; the  $\lambda \eta \sigma \tau a \ell$  would then be the Boeotian freebooters against whom Lamachus had been sent. Elmsley and others read  $\lambda \eta \sigma \tau a \ell s$  in agreement with  $\delta \rho a \pi \ell \tau a \iota s$ : while Blaydes proposes  $\dot{a} \iota \iota \sigma \tau a \mu \ell \nu \varphi$   $\delta \dot{\epsilon} \tau \iota s ... \delta \rho a \pi \ell \tau \eta s$   $\lambda \eta \sigma \tau \dot{\eta} s$   $\kappa.\tau.\lambda$ .
  - 1189. όδι δε καὐτός—so Vesp. 1360: Av. 1718.
- 1190. Lamachus is brought in from one side of the stage, wounded and moaning in pain. Dicaeopolis staggers in on the other side returning from the banquet with a girl on either hand. Lamachus bewails himself in the style of a tragic dirge;  $\theta \rho \eta \nu \hat{\omega} \nu \pi \alpha \rho \alpha \tau \rho \alpha \gamma \psi \delta \epsilon \hat{\iota}$ , as the scholiast says; while Dicaeopolis mocks and ridicules his lamentations in a tone of exulting triumph.
- 1196.  $\Delta \iota \kappa \alpha \iota \delta \pi o \lambda \iota s \epsilon i$ —the manuscripts have  $\delta \nu$  instead of  $\epsilon l$  or before it. Müller therefore reads  $\Delta \iota \kappa \alpha \iota \delta \pi o \lambda \iota s \delta \nu$ , in apposition with  $\epsilon \kappa \epsilon \hat{\iota} \nu o$ , 'this would indeed be grievous, I mean Dicaeopolis would, if' etc.
  - 1197. ἐγχάνοι—cf. 221.
- 1200. ὧ χρυσίω—'my darlings': Lys. 930, δεῦρό νυν, ὧ χρυσίον: so 'golden Aphrodite': Hor. Od. i. 5, 9, qui nunc te fruitur credulus aurea.
- 1206. Λαμαχίππιον—'my little knightlet'; or perhaps 'my little prince,' horses pertaining to the rich and great; see Nub. 63, where the noble mother wishes to call her son Chrysippus, or 'something with a horse in it': cf. 603.

1207—1209. The order in the text is that adopted by Meineke, Muller and Blaydes. Paley, however, says that it 'destroys the whole fun of the passage, which consists in the jolly farmer mocking the tone of the suffering soldier.' He accordingly retains the old arrangement, Λ. στυγερὸς έγώ. Δ. μογερὸς έγώ. Δ. τι με σὺ κυνεῖς; Δ. τί με σὺ δάκνεις;

1210. ξυμβολής—Lamachus means 'encounter,' in a hostile sense; as Hdt. i. 74, συμβολής γενομένης. 'Alas, alas, that deadly charge!' he cries, and Dicaeopolis mocks him by playing on the word.

1211. ξυμβολάς σ' ξπραττέν; i.e. sent in a bill to his guest, asked him to pay his share. Brunck cites these lines of Eubalus from Athen, vi. 239 A:

όστις δ' έπὶ δείπνον ή φίλον τιν' ή ξένον καλέσας έπειτα ξυμβολάς έπράξατο φυγάς γένοιτο μηδέν οξκοθεν λαβών.

It is only the plural ξυμβολαι that is used in this sense. Both πράττειν and πράττεσθαι are used of exacting payment, the insidite implying for one's self.

- 1212. Là watáv the usual ferm of invocation: Vesp. 874, this Haide. See Lid. and Scott fer a full account of the word. Elmsley would read Haide as being the form of comedy, but here we have the tragic style.
- 1213. ἀλλ' οὐχί κ.τ.λ —cf. Eccl. 982, ἀλλ' οὐχί νυνὶ τὰς ὑπερεξηκοντέτεις παιώνια—a festival of Apollo the Healer. There may have been, as the scholast says, such a feast at A.bens, but nothing seems known about it.
- 1222. ἐς τοῦ Πιττάλου—elsewhere Aristophanes has the genitive without the article, e.g. Vesp. 1250, ἐτ Φιλοκτήμονοι B.aydes therefore reads ὡι τοὺι Πιττάλου (see 1032), while Elmsley's ἐς τὰ Πιττάλου, sc. οἰκία, 'to the surgery of Pittalus,' is supported by Vesp. 1432.
- 1223. παιωνίαισι χερσίν—Aesch. Suppl. 1066, χειρί παιωνία: Ag 848, δεί φαρμάκων παιωνίων.
- 1224. τους κριτάς ostens bly the judges of the prize of drinking; covertly, I suspect, the judges of the theatrical prize. For undisguised addresses to these arbiters see Nub. 1115: Av 1101: Eccl 1154' (Mitchell) 6 βασιλεύς the archon βασιλεύς presided at the Lenaean festival, his functions generally being connected with religion. Here he is supposed to award the prize for drinking.

1225. anosore—he claims the prize to which he is entitled, date this used in composition implying rendering what is due: cf. 643-

- 1227. τουτονί—sc. τὸν χόα. τήνελλα καλλίνικος—'hurrah for the conquering hero.' Archilochus began an ode to Heracles with the words ω καλλίνικε, χαῖρ' ἄναξ 'Ηρακλέες, and this became the regular style of hailing a victor: see Pind. Ol. ix. 1. τήνελλα represents the sound of a flourish on the harp strings.
- 1228. Elmep καλεῖς γε—'if you summon us' to join you. Blaydes reads  $\kappa \rho \alpha \tau \epsilon \hat{i}$ ς 'if you are indeed the victor,' which makes good sense, but seems unnecessary. It might indeed hint at the poet's own victory. For  $\epsilon l \pi \epsilon \rho ... \gamma \epsilon$  cf. 307.
- 1229. καὶ πρός γ'--Eur. Heracl. 641, καὶ πρός γ' εὐτυχεῖς τὰ νῦν τάδε: for καὶ...γε see 560. ἐγχέας—sc. ἐς κύλικα: so Vesp. 616 etc.: pour out, we say. ἄμυστιν—'at a draught,' τὴν ἀθρόαν πόσιν οὕτως ἔλεγον (schol.): the accusative is used adverbially, like ἀμυστί. Lid. and Scott however take ἄμυστις here to be a large cup; cf. Hor. Od. i. 36, 14, Bassum Threicia vincat anystide, where either a cup or a draught may be meant.

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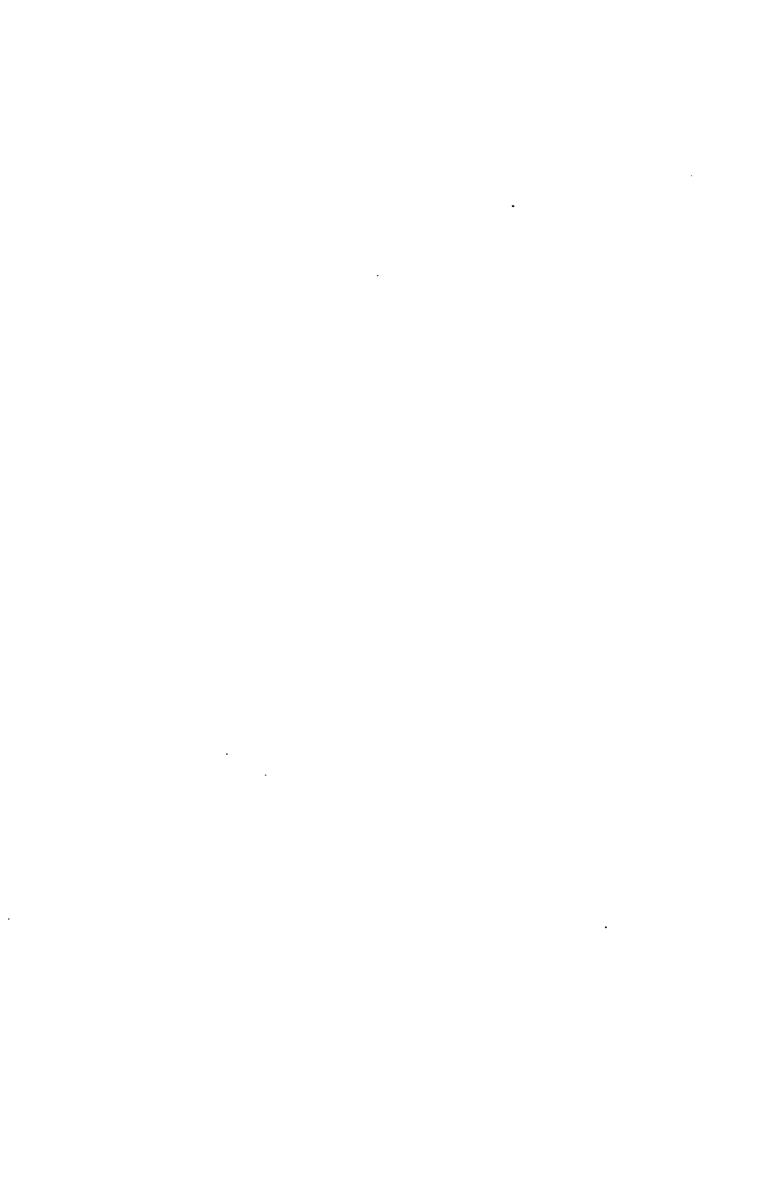
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